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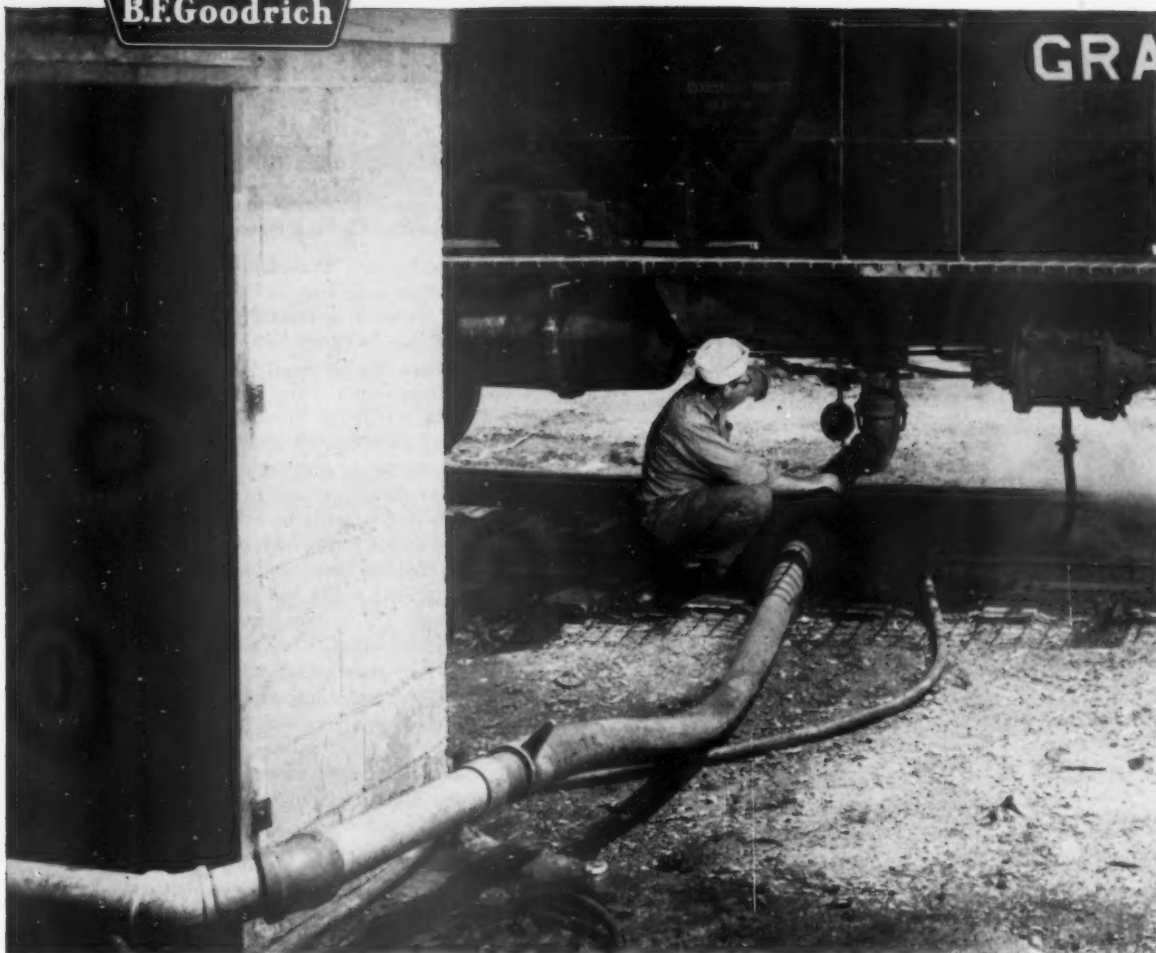
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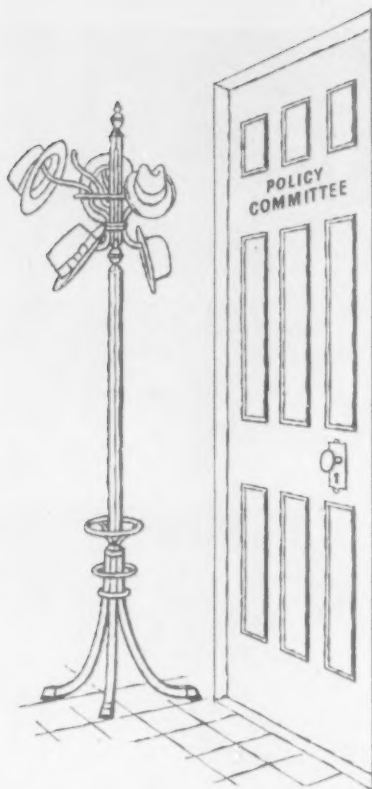
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There is no doubt about it.

In recent years the responsibilities of American management have multiplied tenfold, and the areas in which decisions must be made are expanding with every passing day.

For example, just this morning our purchasing agent came to my office with a problem that, at first glance, seemed to be exclusively within his jurisdiction. Yet, as he talked and explained the situation, I could see where our policy committee was going to be forced into establishing procedure in an entirely new area. Briefly, here is the problem Jim Harkness laid in my lap. In the past several months, Jim said, various of our product managers have been requesting purchasing to buy foreign-made components to be used in the production operations carried out in their departments. These products, Jim went on, were somewhat cheaper than similar products made in the United States. Of course, the product managers were looking only at costs and were not considering such things as service and quality.

Also, Jim said, the purchasing of these imported products was presenting new problems to him as

## management must act

purchasing agent—problems that he sincerely felt should be answered by top management.

Problem number one, he said, showed up when one of our long-time suppliers said that if he continued to lose our business because of our purchase of a foreign-made competitive line, he had no other alternative than to shut down several machines and lay off their operators. This, Jim felt, could be the beginning of a vicious circle—the laid off men would curtail their buying and even though small at the present time, if the same thing happened to others of our suppliers, and in other segments of industry, the resulting ripples could turn into waves which would be felt throughout our entire economy. He also pointed out that, in his opinion, the purchase of imported goods had serious ramifications in other areas. The foreign manufacturer contributed absolutely nothing to the United States in return for his orders—he paid no property or corporate taxes, wasn't bothered by State levies and didn't have to pay personal income tax on his profits. As far as he could see, Jim said, the only result was that the rest of us would have to pay higher taxes all around in order to subsidize the foreign manufacturer.

Jim also declared that he felt imports damaged us in still another way. Not only do they represent the loss of domestic markets—high import figures also indicate the loss of export markets. As an example of this, he explained that U.S. brass mills formerly did a large export business. Today they have lost the export business and suffer seriously from imports. The total loss in this industry is, therefore, the loss of exports plus imports.

It was these conclusions, Jim said, that had brought him to my office. When his actions as purchasing agent began to have such far reaching consequences he felt that management should assume some of the added responsibility.

Since Jim left, I've been thinking of the things he said—and I think he's right. I'm going to recommend that our policy committee establish a buying procedure stating that we as a company will place our requirements for our United States operations with American sources in all cases where U.S. products are available. I cannot see how we can afford to do otherwise.



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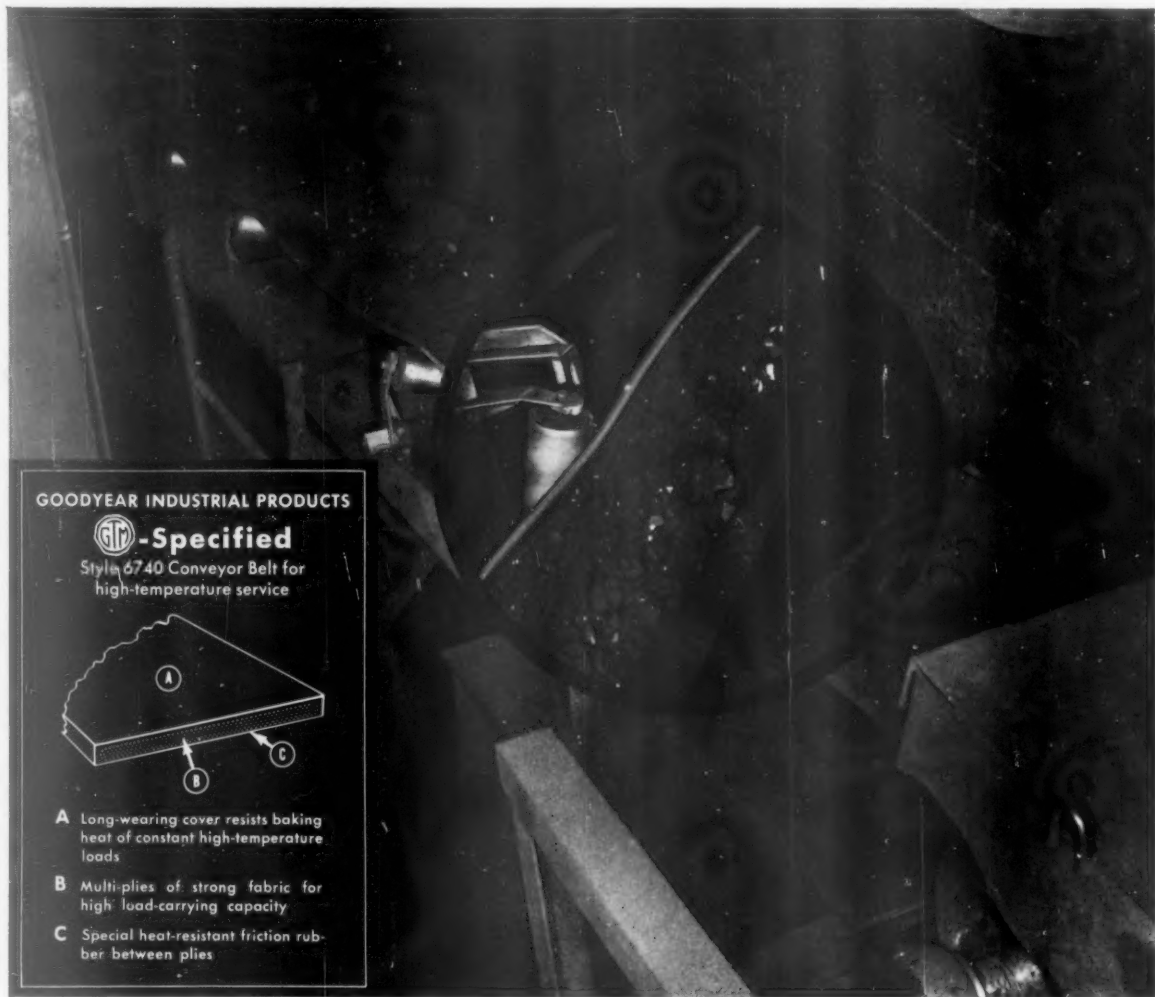
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## Purchasing Previews

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► **STEEL PRICE CUTS OUT**—Steel companies have a "moral obligation" to maintain present prices even if steelworkers would accept wage cuts, says Tom Patton, president of Republic Steel. He notes that the steel companies are hard pressed to find money to expand and maintain facilities. Despite the record prosperity of the past decade, steel earnings have been far from spectacular, he says—with the industry's return on invested capital consistently lower than that of many other industries.

► **UNIFORM SHIPPING CONTAINERS**—A strong move is underway for adoption of uniform shipping containers. These containers could be shipped interchangeably by rail, truck, water, and air. P.A.'s could make large savings if the physical barriers that prevent the different forms of transportation from offering integrated coordinated freight service were eliminated.

► **BUSINESS IN POLITICS**—Most business executives feel that more companies should take an active part in government and politics. According to a recent survey, a majority of manufacturing men believe that the eventual welfare of industry depends on the actions of federal, state, and local governments. And unless businessmen participate in the decision-making process, they say, industry will be at the mercy of legislative bodies controlled by aggressive anti-business minorities.

► **GOOD VENDOR RELATIONS**—Here's an idea to boost your vendor relations program: why not make a special occasion of the sales call of the 1000th, 10,000th, or 100,000th vendor to visit your company. General Electric's missile and space vehicle department did and received a lot of favorable publicity as a result. Naturally the vendor was happy too.

► **TOO MUCH CONCENTRATION?** — Has there been an increase in concentration among manufacturing industries in recent years? The answer is no, according to a survey by the National Industrial Conference Board. The

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► **STEEL AND COAL**—One of the major industries most affected by the steel strike is bituminous coal. In one month alone, bituminous coal production fell 12.4% from the same period in recession-hit 1958, says Standard & Poor's.

► **AT THEIR OWN GAME**—Office equipment manufacturers—plagued by foreign competition—are fighting back. They're setting up foreign subsidiaries in Europe and then importing the goods made by these subsidiaries. The result: they can sell in the U.S. at the same price levels as foreign office equipment manufacturers.

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► **PLAYING BOTH ENDS**—At a recent district conference of the N.A.P.A., one of the speakers asked purchasing agents how many were buying imported goods. About 60% raised their hands. He then asked P.A.'s how many of their companies were being hurt by foreign competition. The same number said yes.

► **NEW PRODUCT PLANNING**—Who's responsible for new product planning in your company? A survey by the American Management Association shows that the marketing department is in charge at 43% of the companies queried. Purchasing appeared infrequently in the responses of top management men when asked who was in on new product plans. This means that in most companies there's still room for the P.A. to show his management how he can be more effective at the outset of new marketing programs.



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# PURCHASING OPINION

## Can Purchasing Prove It's a Profit Making Job

Although many P.A.'s firmly believe that purchasing is a profit making job, it's sometimes hard to prove this to management. Exactly how are purchasing profits determined and measured? And how are such profits reported to management? We asked a representative cross-section of purchasing agents a number of questions about this subject. An analysis of the problem appears on p. 13, while the answers to the survey follow below:

1. Do you now report to management on a regular basis the savings made in day-to-day buying?

Yes



44%

No



56%

2. How often do you make these reports?

Monthly



35%

Quarterly



12%

Weekly



11%

Other



42%

(occasionally, when savings are made, completing a contract, etc.)

3. How do you report the savings?

Total dollar figure



51%

Broken down by individual orders of items



38%

Percent of total volume



11%

4. Do you use any special form to report detailed facts of individual savings?

Yes



27%

No



73%

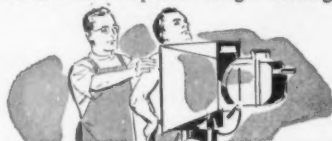
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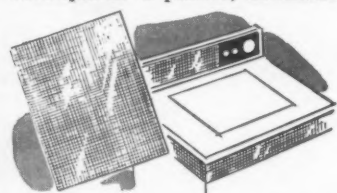
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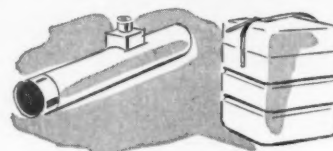
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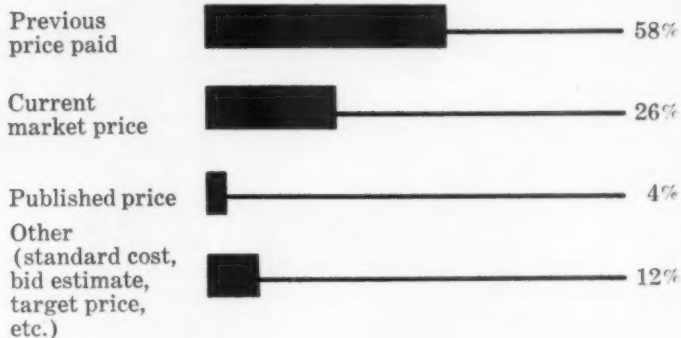
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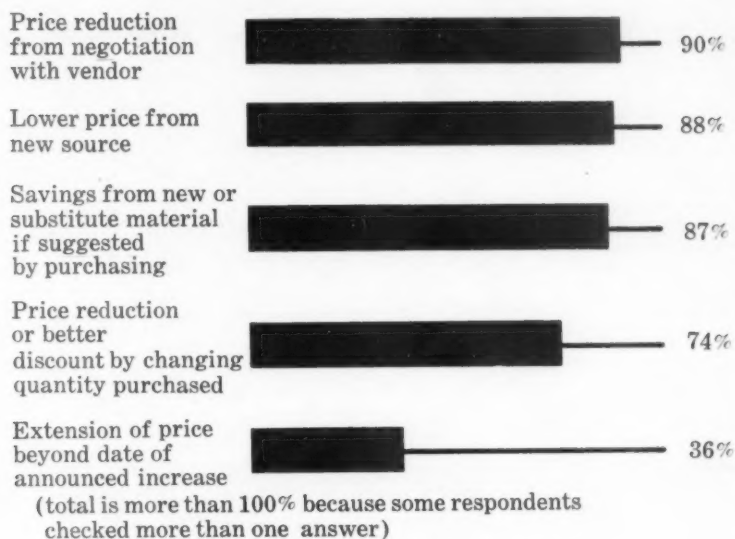
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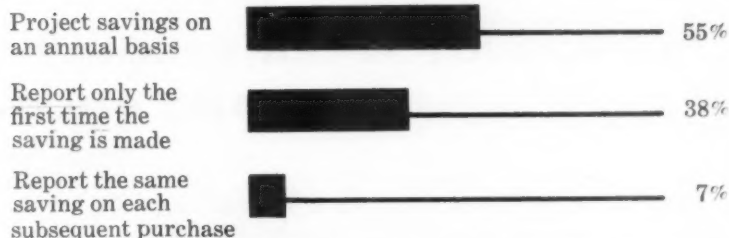
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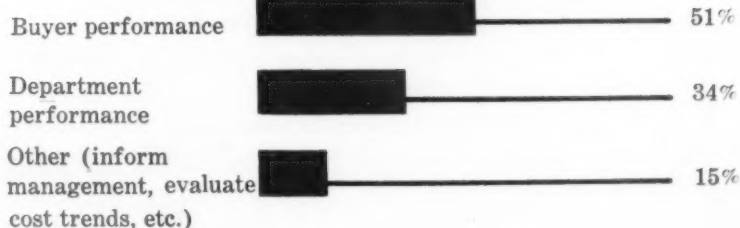
6. Which of the following do you consider a purchasing profit (or include in your report)?



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*Indications are that purchasing is not doing as good a job as it should when it comes to informing top management of its role as a profit maker. But P.A.'s who do report savings find it's not only a helpful technique to increase purchasing's status but can also be used as a guide to measure performance.*

THE ONLY justification for a purchasing department, other than organizational efficiency, is its ability to contribute to profit. Purchasing agents themselves have worked hard to get this fact across to management. They should welcome the chance to prove themselves. Yet 56% of P.A.'s recently surveyed do not report savings to management. (See Purchasing Opinion, Page 9.)

Why?

A respondent who does not make savings reports commented: "Making savings is a part of my job—an important responsibility in which I enjoy the complete confidence of management." Over and over P.A.'s said, "it's all part of the job."

But doing your job and letting your boss know what you are doing are two different things. If purchasing claims it contributes to profit you can expect that someone is going to ask "How much?" It isn't a question of whether you have the confidence of management but whether you have the right to keep management in the dark.

There is probably no purchasing agent who is consciously trying to keep his management "in the dark," but there are many who are reticent about "showing off" their performance. Others believe that results are self-evident.

### Only Purchasing Knows

This, however, is not the case. The purchase price of a product in no way indicates what it might have cost. Sales figures tell what the sales department is doing. Manufacturing costs reflect production. But only purchasing can determine accurately how much money it saves.

The savings report is the only way purchasing can keep management aware of the profit contribution it makes in day-to-day buying. Purchasing needs a quantitative measure. A factual report which clearly measures in dollars and cents how much is saved on

specific orders or materials is one of the most direct means of doing this.

In the small company, where information flows freely, reporting such savings may be casual, almost unnoticed. The larger organization requires more formal methods. Significantly, most of the 27% Purchasing Opinion respondents who report using special forms for this purpose are from larger companies.

Thirty-four percent of those who report savings to management also use them to compare or evaluate department performance. Purchasing agents limited by small staffs or inadequate budgets may find this a useful approach. As one purchasing executive sees the problem: "The purchasing department has long been considered a necessary evil. This meant we've had to keep personnel down to a minimum. We are still overly self-conscious and cost-conscious about our own operations."

The purchasing department of a large, diversified tool and valve manufacturer meets this problem by comparing annual savings with the cost of department operations. "Our savings generally run from two to three times operating cost," the P.A. says. Figures like these are strong support for budget requests.

To be most effective saving figures should be projected on an annual basis. Of those who do report savings, however, 38% report them only the first time they are made. For one-time purchases there is, of course, no alternative. Applying this method to repetitive items means that only new savings will show up. Although these can be used to compare purchasing performance between given periods of time no total figure will be available to compare with actual departmental



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## Special Industry Report:

The image shows two overlapping forms. The top form is from Addressograph-Multigraph Corporation, titled 'Cost Reduction Record'. It includes fields for 'To:', 'Date Effective:', and 'Order No:'. Below these are numbered sections: 1. Item Number & Name, 2. Description, 3. Calculation (with sub-fields for Orig. Price, Old Supplier, New Price, New Supplier, Red. Per Unit, Quantity (Annual), Cost Qty., or other, and Cost Red. (First year)), 4. Purchasing People Responsible, 5. Dept., or Division Involved, and 6. Action Taken. The bottom form is from Federal Mogul-Bower Bearings, Inc., titled 'FEDERAL-MOGUL-BOWER BEARINGS, INC. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT VALUE ANALYSIS PERFORMANCE REPORT'. It includes fields for Division, Date, Plant, Project No., and Quantity Involved. It has a 'DESCRIPTION' section, 'Previous or Past Experience', 'Proposed Method and Advantages', and a table for 'ESTIMATED OR ACTUAL SAVINGS' with columns for 'Cost (A)', 'Cost (B)', 'Cost (C)', 'Time', 'Savings', and 'Annual Savings'. It also has fields for 'Annual Consumption', 'Action Taken', 'Department Involved', 'Purchasing Personnel Investigating Project', and 'Remarks'. At the bottom, it says 'Fill out in triplicate, forward one copy to Staff Purchasing, Detroit, and one copy to Plant or Divisional Supervisor. Retain file copy.'

Typical cost reduction report forms used by the purchasing departments at Addressograph-Multigraph Corporation and Federal Mogul Bearings, Inc.

operating costs.

Effective savings reports must be realistic and accurate. "What is a saving?" asks the purchasing agent for a well-known arms manufacturer. There is high agreement among Purchasing Opinion respondents that price reductions obtained by using a new vendor, by negotiation, or from value analysis and standardization suggestions are real savings. There is less agreement on how to determine these savings, and what to use as a basis of comparison.

Of those who replied to questions of the Purchasing Opinion poll, 58% compare the purchase price to the previous price paid. Twenty-six percent compare it to the market price while only four percent use a published price as the base. Twelve percent indicate they use more than one criterion for price comparison or mention others, such as: standard price, cost on January 1, average of quotations, etc.

Purchasing agents agree on

one point: there is no single basis for price comparison that can be used to determine savings. This basis will vary with the product and with the market in which it is sold. A true savings is the difference between the price actually paid and the price that would have been paid had there been no purchasing effort expended on the order.

For repeat orders the simplest way to calculate such a saving is to compare the latest price paid to the previous price. Replies to Purchasing Opinion indicate this is the most common method. Yet certain exceptions show how industry pricing practices and market fluctuations may complicate this approach.

A New England metalworking P.A., for example, reports that he negotiated a 10% discount on a standard line of cutting tools bought from an established distributor. The discount was calculated from published prices normally paid by large users

throughout the area. This 10% was certainly a legitimate reportable saving and was therefore included in the purchasing department's savings report and projected on an annual basis.

### Loses Advantage

For competitive reasons, however, the discount became general in the area. It was offered by distributors of competing lines and it was made available to other buyers. Once this became evident the purchasing agent recognized that he was no longer making a saving and therefore deducted the balance of his annual figure from a subsequent saving report. In effect, a general price reduction had wiped out his advantage.

A large non-ferrous foundry consistently buys its casting metals at below published market prices. The difference between the two was regularly reported as a saving. As the purchase price appeared to fluctuate too regularly with the market price the metal buyer, after placing a large order, asked himself if he had really saved any money.

### How Much Is Saved?

An investigation brought out that metal suppliers offered similar price reductions to other large quantity buyers. After discussing the problem at a purchasing department staff meeting, buyers decided that when metal is normally purchased for a price of, say, five cents per pound under the market price and the practice is not limited to one's own company no savings should be claimed. If, however, a certain metal is normally bought at the market price but by negotiation the price for a new order is brought below that, the difference is a legitimate saving. Similarly, if metal is purchased at six cents under the market price instead of the normal five, the extra cent is a true saving. And this would apply even if the market price had risen generally and the actual price were higher than that paid previously. (Turn Page)



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## at needless chlorine costs

Columbia-Southern's manufacturing and servicing experience with quality chlorine may help you achieve appreciable savings on former costs. Isn't this the ideal time to see if your chlorine purchase and use practices aren't costing more than necessary?

Let's take the *quantity* of chlorine you are currently buying and handling. Is your operating volume most economically adapted to tank car, barge, ton tank, or cylinder delivery? Are you quite sure that new or projected changes in your products or processing won't change this picture? Do you have all the facts on completely up-to-date unloading techniques and equipment?

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Our well-grounded Technical Service specialists, too, have helped customers save on needless chlorine costs. One valuable aid, for example, is their extremely thorough yearly inspection of your unloading, storage, and use operations. Isn't it simple good business, especially now, to see what savings they might work out for you? You may request their services either through our Pittsburgh address, or any of the fourteen Columbia-Southern District Sales Offices.

The Columbia-Southern Chemical Corporation, One Gateway Center, Pittsburgh 22, Pennsylvania. Offices in principal cities. In Canada: Standard Chemical Limited.

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## Special Industry Report:

Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT  
COST REDUCTION DOCKET  
Atomic Equipment and Atomic Fuel Departments  
Cheswick, Pennsylvania

Originator's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date Originated \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Idea \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Material or Part \_\_\_\_\_

Supplier's Name \_\_\_\_\_ P.O. \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Savings A \_\_\_\_\_ B \_\_\_\_\_ Eff. \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken to Realize Savings: \_\_\_\_\_ Results of Action: \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Calculation of Cost Reduction:**

Source of original cost information (P.O., Quote, Price List, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Original Cost of Part \_\_\_\_\_

Expense of Putting Reduction into Effect \_\_\_\_\_

New Cost \_\_\_\_\_

Savings per Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Volume This Order \_\_\_\_\_ Annual \_\_\_\_\_

Total Savings \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

Other Departments Involved \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Ordinator \_\_\_\_\_ Purchasing Agent \_\_\_\_\_ S. Agent Dept. \_\_\_\_\_

Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Two more examples of the kind of forms being used to report cost reductions. The purpose of reporting cost reductions isn't just to boost your department—it's a matter of supplying management with vital information that it ought to have.

**ANALYSIS OF COST REDUCTIONS**

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRODUCTION CONTROL	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PURCHASING	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ASSEMBLY	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MACHINE SHOP	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHEET METAL SHOP	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____	_____

SAVINGS PER UNIT \_\_\_\_\_

ORIGINAL IDEA FROM \_\_\_\_\_

BY \_\_\_\_\_

PROBLEM \_\_\_\_\_

ACTION \_\_\_\_\_

SOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_

In spite of occasional complexities such as these, the comparison price can be determined rather easily for items purchased repeatedly or for those standard products usually sold at established prices. When buying special products on a one-time basis the problem becomes more acute. It is understandable that in these instances many P.A.'s make no effort to determine savings.

A purchasing staff assistant for another company in this field provides one answer: "I believe that buyers should be required to establish the prices that go into their companies' quotations. These same prices should then be used as targets for buyer price performance."

Purchasing people in the aircraft and electronics industries in particular have actively sought a satisfactory measuring stick in order to come up with reliable

profit figures. In addition to the target prices mentioned above they report using:

- \* estimated prices
- \* prices used in bid proposals
- \* average of quotations
- \* prices before negotiating
- \* own shop cost

One purchasing agent writes: "One of the best ways to save money on these complicated, one-time, specialty components is to negotiate with the vendor who has made the best quotation. This is not necessarily the one with the lowest price, since we have to watch quality performance and engineering ability. Neither does it mean that we chisel the man down. We reduce the quoted price by a sort of mutual assistance arrangement. We look at the vendor's cost breakdown and point out possible reductions. He considers our design and material specifications and recommends

simplification and standardization where possible."

### Quality Problems

Commenting on the quality problem another purchasing agent notes that "you don't know if you have saved any money until the material has been used." Purchasing people know that savings can be lost altogether by poor quality buying. When rejection rates and rework soar or deliveries are seriously late any savings made in the purchase price can be wiped out two and three times over.

Asked about the chance that stress on savings might produce over-zealous price buying, one vice president replied: "No trained and responsible buyer would jeopardize his reputation merely for the sake of price performance. Our people know that genuine savings go hand in hand with sound buying."

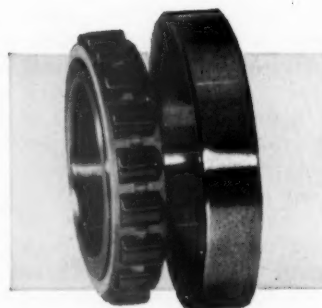


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Bower, a major supplier of bearings for missiles and aircraft, also serves many other industries—automotive, construction machinery, machine tool and farm equipment, to name a few. You'll find bearings for most every field in Bower's full line of tapered, cylindrical and journal roller bearings.



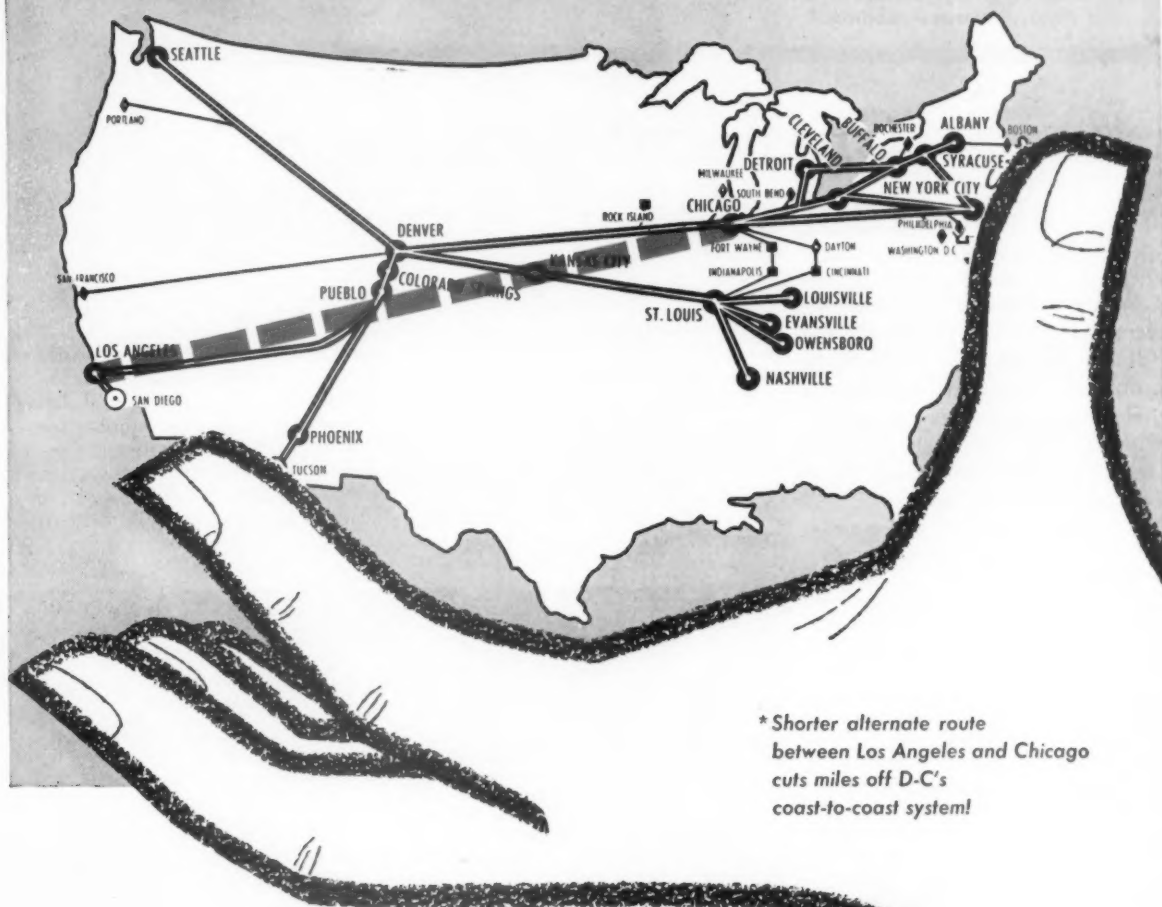
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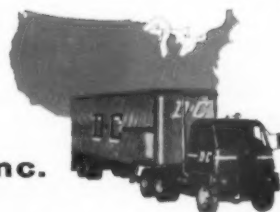
When SERVICE is important, you'll be miles ahead when you ship via D-C's MILE SAVER ROUTE. Shortens the distance between Los Angeles and Chicago — brings the East and West Coast miles closer — makes D-C's DIRECT SERVICE even more direct!

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**THE ONLY DIRECT COAST-TO-COAST CARRIER!**

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## Industry's Chemicals:

### WHAT'S MAKING NEWS?

In nearly every field you'll find a manufacturer who unaccountably seems to stay ahead of the pack. Size doesn't account for it; often the larger companies wonder what magic their smaller competitor has that they might borrow. More often than not, the secret lies in a day-to-day alertness to new developments that pertain to his products and processes. One of the areas he keeps an especially sharp eye on today is the chemical field. Chances are he considers these advertisements, reporting on interesting chemicals and their profitable applications, "required reading."

You may wish to check certain items in this advertisement and forward to those concerned in your company:

ROUTE TO:

## Chemical policemen arrest product impurities

**When troublemaking metallic elements threaten to disturb the stability of a product, an energetic group of chemicals known as chelating agents goes into action. With their chemical "claws" they seize the culprits and isolate them from harmful activities.**

This type of chemical police action is finding wide application in manufacturing today. Three of the best known chelating agents, Versene®, Versenol® and Versenex®, tackle varied assignments that require the disciplining of metallic ions—keeping soap clear, cosmetics pure and pharmaceuticals fresh from plantsite to bedside.

**Who wants dirty soap?** No one, obviously. But clouding in liquid soaps and shampoos caused by metal ions can certainly give them a "dirty" appearance. Versene 100 renders these ions inactive, keeping the soaps pure and good-looking. The cleaning power of soaps in hard water can also be enhanced by restraining hard water minerals in the formulations with Versene.

Almost any product containing lanolin can be improved by a dash of Versene. It thwarts rancidity, discoloration and precipitation in many different cosmetic preparations. Pharmaceuticals are kept free of oxidation and discoloration by this versatile chemical.

**Streaks and stains**, the nightmare of the textile industry, are often caused by iron ions in the fabric. Special Dow chelating policemen neutralize these ferric troublemakers, leaving a clear

track ahead for cloth makers.

**Stretches rubber makers' dollar.** An excellent example of how Dow technical service specialists work with different industries on chelate applications is their work in rubber. For several years Versene products have been used to increase the speed and uniformity of the polymerization reaction. Recent investigations by Dow technical personnel indicate that Versene 100, rather than the more expensive chelat-

ing agents previously used, may be employed in conventional polymerization systems. The result? Substantial savings in polymerization costs.

Other applications for Dow chelating agents range from agriculture to metal cleaning, from leather to paint. Dow is continually working in developmental areas to provide a wider range of specialized chelating agents for many different applications.

\*TRADEMARK OF THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY



Many hard water problems are alleviated with soaps containing Versene chelating agents.



## CLINIC FOR CAR CHEMISTRY

With the new models just making their debut, automotive engineers are hard at work on next year's models . . . and on the '62's, too. And chemistry is playing a larger and more important role in their activities. Tomorrow's cars will depend more and more upon specialized fluids such as those now under development in Dow's two Automotive Chemicals Development Laboratories.

**Cool by boiling?** Work now in progress at Dow concerns synthetic lubricants for the engine and transmission, new antifreezes for use with aluminum engines and more efficient brake fluids. One project, still in the experimental stage, is ebullient cooling. It involves cooling an engine by boiling a liquid. In all this work, Dow is attempting to anticipate the chemical requirements of future automotive designs, and be ready with the right fluid for the job.



Creative chemical research at Dow is playing an increasingly important role in automotive design and engineering.

## GOOD MIXER AT PRODUCT GET-TOGETHERS

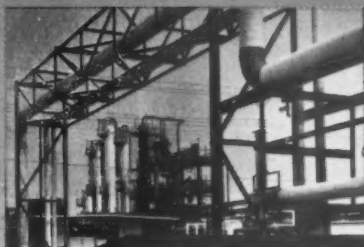
Many formulators who had difficulty getting one material to join with another in their products have found Dowanol® solvents the perfect match-maker. These versatile Dow solvents have so many useful properties that their applications in industry are almost unlimited. That's because they're compatible with a host of materials, including water and organic substances.

For example, a Dowanol® solvent can be used to couple water with a chlorinated solvent (insoluble in water) to produce a cleaning fluid that removes both water-soluble and petroleum-soluble stains. Dowanol products do yeoman service in paints, lacquers, varnishes, dyes, inks, cosmetics, brake fluids and many other products. Extensive facilities are maintained by Dow to help both industrial and specialty formulators develop new products.

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**WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU.** Could we be of service on any of the Dow Chemicals discussed in this advertisement? For more information, write to THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY, Midland, Michigan, Chemicals Merchandising Department 610EE10-26.

## MORE DOW PROBLEM-SOLVING, PROFIT-BUILDING CHEMICALS



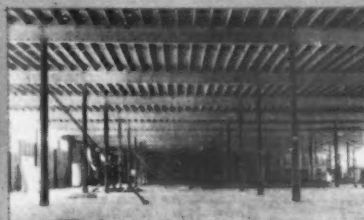
### MULTI-USE POLYOL

Dow's high quality synthetic glycerine is used in cosmetics, drugs, paints, foods, explosives, paper and many other products. Available in three grades: Synthetic, U.S.P. 96% and U.S.P. 99.5%.



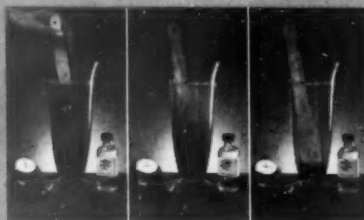
### PHARMACEUTICAL INGREDIENTS

Dow makes a host of products that pharmaceutical manufacturers, in turn, make into a host of products. They range from analgesics to aspirin and from salicylates to sedatives.



### LONG-LIVED WOOD

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Midland, Michigan



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The important figure in buying **coal** is the cost per **1000 pounds of steam**. Right?

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Good reason to specify Island Creek coal  
It's **Precisioneered\***



Sizes below  $\frac{1}{8}$ " receive special attention. Here, centrifugal driers remove moisture accumulated during the wet cleaning process.

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also in the things you can't actually see . . . but can only sense . . . the obvious dedication of a career company to its career, coal. It all adds up to—"Precisioneering" . . . and, more importantly, to coal that produces steam at the lowest net cost per 1000 lbs.—in your burning equipment. Our engineers would like to lay some interesting case histories before you and your plant people. Write. Or phone. No obligation, of course.

## **ISLAND CREEK** **Precisioneered Coal**

*You can depend on Island Creek . . . a career company . . . dedicated to coal*

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## Materials Management in Russia:

### A Controlled Economy

**T**HE industrial supply system in Soviet Russia superficially resembles our own. A firm "buys" the input materials it requires, in most cases directly from the producer. Payment is made by transfers in bank accounts. Terms of sale are stipulated in commercial contracts, and both buyer and seller are protected by the courts against violation of the contracts.

These similarities were reported to the Joint Economic Committee of Congress by Herbert S. Levine, of the Russian Research Center of Harvard University and the University of Pennsylvania. At the same time, he pointed out that the Soviet supply system operates in an entirely different climate than that normally prevailing in the U.S.

The Russian government, since the Revolution, has been operating in a chronic seller's market. Consuming industry has often been unable to get the quality and quantity of materials it needs at the required time in the cheapest way. To counteract these deficiencies, manufacturing enterprises in Russia have resorted to padding orders, excess inventories, staffs of "expeditors" and vertical integration.

The Soviet system differs from ours in a more basic way, however. This is centralized planning and control over materials. Russian enterprises do not buy their major input of materials on an open market based on ability to pay the asking price.

Major materials in the Soviet Union are allocated by a central government authority. In order to make a purchase a Soviet firm not only has to have the money, but also needs an authorization from the government to buy.

Materials are allocated to in-

dustry on a year-to-year basis, with the consumption and distribution pattern of the previous year used as a planning guide. Output targets for a dozen or so of the most important materials and major capital investment programs are established at the highest level of planning, the ministerial level of government.

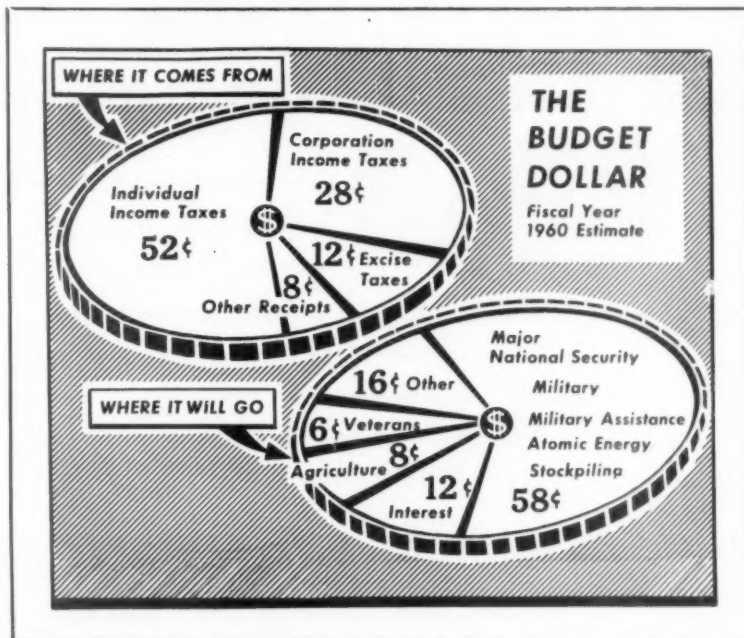
At just about the same time that these decisions on major materials are being made, the industries consuming materials are preparing bills of materials—based on their previous consumption patterns and corrected for possible increases in output. These industrial enterprises, according to Levine, tend to pad their requirements. The reason: they know that they will be trimmed at sev-

eral levels of government where final production quotas are assigned and materials are allocated.

The various bills of materials from plants all over the country are consolidated at the various Russian ministries where an all-union output and supply plan is developed. Each plant is then assigned its quota of materials and draws on it from the sources of supply available.

Thus the central government sets the production objectives of all Soviet industry and distributes the available materials to meet these objectives. In practice, the system is neither simple nor efficient. There are many impediments—including a vast bureaucracy and the pressures of politics.

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Government planners have worked up this budget dollar picture for fiscal 1960. The big question is, however, will the budget be balanced?



You name it . . .

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# Washington Report

The Soviet supply system has many similarities to the Controlled Materials Plan used in this country during World War II. This plan was modified for less stringent control purposes during the Korean War. "CMP" was operated on the concept that by strictly rationing the use of steel, copper, and aluminum, the entire economy could be adequately controlled.

The Russians have added additional materials to the control scheme, but essentially it is a plan for rationing materials and establishing quotas for production of all goods and services. In this country, such control was needed only in wartime, but for the Communists scarcity has been their everyday lot since they came to power.

## • Has Long Steel Strike Discouraged Expansion?

Department of Commerce officials say that the strikes in metals have slowed recovery for this fall, but the net effect will be to accelerate recovery during the winter months.

The reasoning is that the steel industry will have to operate at forced draft for the next six months to meet current industrial needs and rebuild normal inventory position. But there is some speculation, however, that the long strike has discouraged industrial expansion planning—and that projects which would have been ready to go the first of the year have been either deferred or abandoned.

### Longest Steel Strike

This steel strike was not only the longest on record, but also the most peculiar. Even the closest to it in terms of length—the 58-day strike in 1952—presented a critical problem to industry as it approached the end of the period of work stoppage.

In contrast, at the three-month mark this time, there was little clamor by industry for relief. All through the strike, both galvanized sheet and cold rolled sheet were in tight supply, but purchas-

ing agents took the position that they would back the steel companies and refrain from public pressure to force a settlement. Structural shapes were also in tight supply, but no major projects were held up for lack of structurals.

Commerce Department inventory analysts claim that steel, copper, and copper-base products were built up to a stronger inventory position than was generally realized. Steel warehouses, they point out, accumulated a large tonnage in inventory.

In contrast to previous strike periods, there was little complaint of "gray market" pricing. Independent warehouse operations continued to supply their regular customers—and supplemented their stocks to some degree while the strike was underway both with imports and with limited shipments from mills that continued to operate.

The priorities office of the Business and Defense Services Administration reports that it was literally "shocked" by the lack of demand for assistance from defense industries.

Government priorities assistance officials expected that as the strike lengthened out, they would begin to receive increasing requests from military contractors for help. But these were few and far apart.

Questioned about how they explained this lack of outcry on the part of industry for an end to the strike, here's what they said:

- (1) inventories had been built up in anticipation of a long strike
- (2) that industry generally backed steel managements in their resolve to hold the line on wages.

Most government observers believe that steel consumers feel prices will not be increased because of their support during the crisis.

## • Interest Rates To Be High Through 1960

Pressure on credit may ease at the end of the year, but Federal Reserve Board analysts feel that interest rates will continue at the

## • Bulletin No. 19

# Investment Casting News

The steel strike continues in a state of steady inertia. Shortages in inventory are climbing at most user operations, but have not quite reached the danger level yet. However, Hitchiner's high inventory of most ferrous alloys makes for a secure and ambitious feeling here.

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Several manufacturers of spray nozzles, housings and other apertures used in conjunction with chemicals which corrode machinable alloys have turned to investment castings. Most alloys which do exhibit a high degree of wear and corrosion resistance are non-machinable, but can be investment cast to close dimensional tolerance and detail.

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Ceramic shell investment casting is fast becoming a major process in the field. A good place to see something about it first-hand will be at Hitchiner's booth #1735 at the National Metal Exposition, Chicago, November 2 through 6. Hitchiner's ceramic shell display will include sample castings, cutaways, and a comparison of processes and costs. (Incidentally—bring this ad to booth #1735 at the show. We have a gift for you.)

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A policy of constant exploitation of technological and process innovations enables Hitchiner to fight effectively against rising prices (and rising costs). In line with this policy, a continuous three zone firing furnace was installed at Hitchiner this month. This furnace reduces process time and has a larger capacity than the more conventional "load—wait—unload" types.

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MILFORD 57, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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# Free Booklet by Scott's Washroom Advisory Service shows how to provide cheerful, efficient washrooms that cost less to maintain



Ladies' lounge at Mutual Trust, as designed by Perkins & Will, reflects suggestions from Scott's Washroom Advisory Service—mirrors located away from washbowls prevent hair-clogged drains; lipstick dabs (note holder mounted on mirror) save paper towel expense.



Mr. Maurice G. Wahlstrom, Building Superintendent of Mutual Trust Life Insurance Company's new home office in Chicago, says: "Our washroom facilities reflect management's consideration for employees and help to make daily working life enjoyable instead of a drudgery."

PERKINS & WILL, ARCHITECTS



Washroom bottlenecks are eliminated due to efficient placement of washbowls, recessed soap dispensers, towel cabinets and other fixtures. Personnel are routed from sink to towel cabinet and into next room where mirrors are located.

The information in this free 32-page booklet is based on Scott's experience in helping to plan nearly a million washrooms and lounges for business and industry. It will tell you certain basic principles in washroom design that make employees' working environment pleasant, while reducing upkeep. Send for the booklet today. No charge or obligation, of course.



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## Washington Report

current high level.

The 5% interest rate on prime commercial loans is considered more normal than the lower range of rates that prevailed in the 1930's. Reason for the current high rate of interest is the large demand for credit from many sources.

In addition to heavy borrowing by the Federal Government, state and municipal governments have also been large borrowers. And the public has been piling up debt through installment buying.

Further, about 1,380,000 houses will have been started this year—the second largest number of starts in the nation's history and up from 1,209,400 starts last year.

Beginning with the new year, the government will cease to be a net borrower. Housing analysts of the Federal Housing Administration forecast that the rate of new housing starts will drop off next year—perhaps as much as 9%. Therefore, to some extent the pressure on money will lessen.

Demand for money from industrial borrowers is likely to increase, however, with an increase in plant and equipment investment expected. Federal Reserve Board economists believe that the easing of pressures on credit will be offset by increased demand from other sources. What they look for is a standoff—with interest rates remaining high.

### ● Municipal Purchasing Still On The Rise

Municipal purchasing continues to increase in volume, as shown by a Bureau of Census report on city government finances. The report shows that the 17,000 "active" municipalities spent a total of \$13-3/4 billion last year. This figure was 7% greater than the spending figure for 1957.

A quick look at trends in municipal purchasing shows total revenues to the cities increasing, total spending increasing, and total debt going up. This, of course, means that while revenues are on the increase, the expenditures are going up at an even faster rate.—A. N. Weckler

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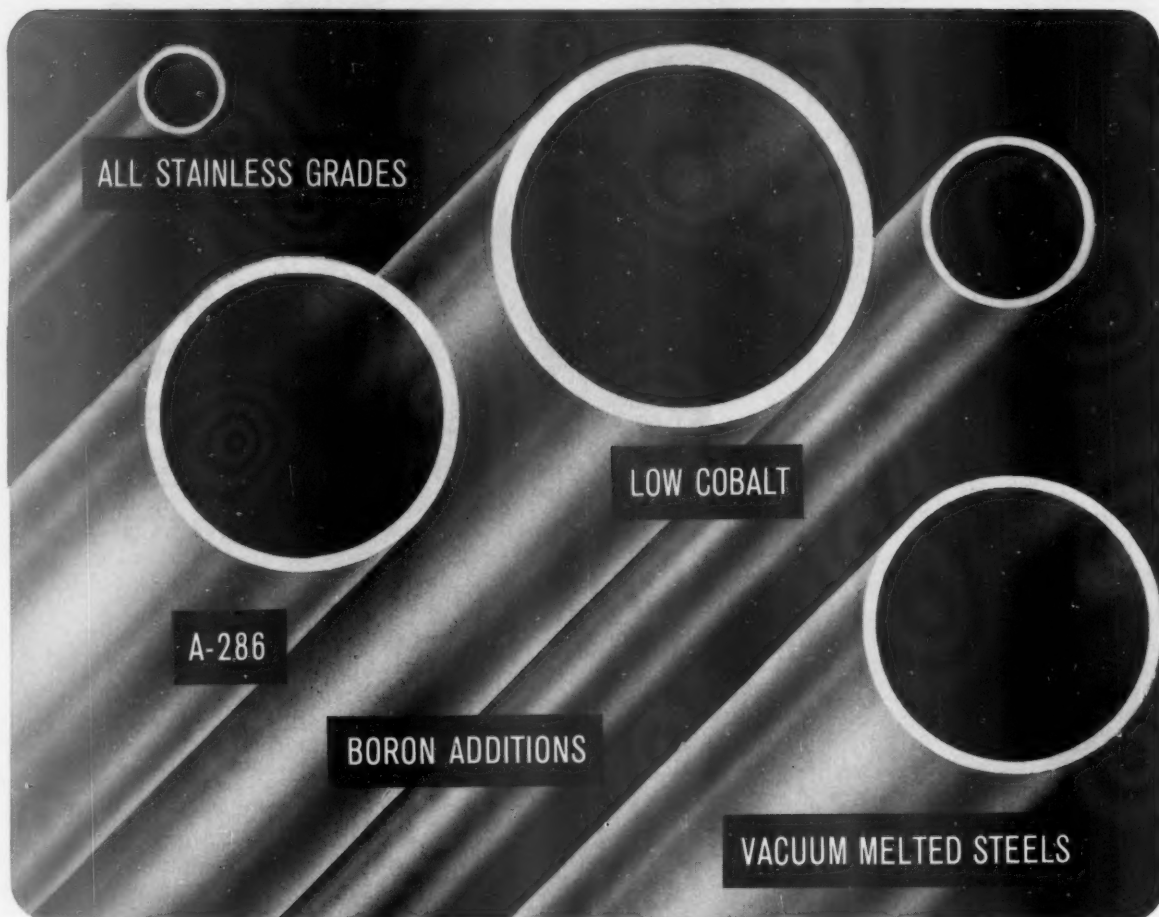
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## Purchasing Follow-up

### Steel Shortage May Force Many November Plant Shutdowns

THE latest report of the National Association of Purchasing Agents' steel committee says "with only one exception, all (members) are able to accomplish full operations through October."

But by the end of this month, the committee reports, steel inventories in metalworking plants "will be so completely unbalanced that extensive shutdowns may be necessary."

The report notes that "some had to bolster steel stocks with warehouse and foreign buys." But it adds "no one reported heavy purchases of premium priced steel."

Committee Chairman A.G. Ruediger, director of purchases at Carrier Corporation, says "many substitutions are being made in order to meet schedules." Aluminum is cited as one of the substitute materials that got a wide play from purchasing agents during the steel strike.

#### Buying Foreign Steel

Regarding foreign steel, the report states that "some companies have placed orders for foreign steel, mostly structural and plate, as a hedge for December, January, and February delivery." The reason: P. A.'s fear that domestic mills will not be able to meet delivery requirements. In addition, orders have been placed with Canadian steel mills for fairly large tonages of cold rolled strip and sheet for delivery during this same period.

Here's the schedule steel buyers believe U.S. mills will follow:

- Orders placed for delivery last June and July: Ready within 10 days.
- August orders: 4 to 6 weeks.
- September orders: 8 to 10 weeks.

Sheet steel is expected to be the tightest item, especially the zinc coated variety. Sheets will probably not get back to normal lead time ordering before July 1960,



Steel Expert Ruediger: "Shutdowns are forecast for November."

the report says.

Carbon wire appears to be still in a buyer's market. And alloy and stainless products are expected to be available in normal lead time within two to three months.

It is expected that mills will go back to a complete allocation system. And it will probably take many months before they catch up with demand that has been building up by purchasing agents.

#### '59 Sales Hike Seen For Glass, Metal Containers

Shipments of both glass and metal containers are expected to rise this year, says Standard & Poor's.

Value of glass container shipments will probably increase about 6% from 1958 to \$875 million, it says. This represents 150 million gross containers. However, the effects of the strike by the mold makers could have an adverse effect on the 1959 sales picture, according to S&P.

Despite rising costs, improved efficiency and larger volume may

mean that profit margins of the leading glass container companies will hold steady over the coming months. An example of the glass industry's greater efficiency: substantial reductions have been made in the thickness of glass required in certain types of containers—without any loss of strength.

#### 5% Gain

Metal container deliveries should rise more than 5% above the previous year and surpass the previous peak established in 1956, notes Standard & Poor's. This would mean a total of 43.5 billion units produced from close to 5 million tons of steel.

In the first half of 1959, gains in non-food container shipments exceeded the advances registered for food products. The largest percentage gain came in soft drink containers, with a 28% rise over the similar period last year.

#### '57-'58 Recession Hit Long-Time Employees

Workers who had steady jobs for at least five years were among those hardest hit by the 1957-58 recession, a survey of New York state workers shows. More than 50% of the long-term unemployed who received extended benefits had not collected any benefits since 1953. And 80% of those who collected extended benefits had not exhausted their regular benefits since 1953.

These facts about employment were released by the New York State Department of Labor. The basis was a sample study on "exactly who received these benefits, in what industries they had been employed, and how long they had been out of work."

The recession was felt most severely by workers in metal and machinery manufacture, the report shows. More than half of all claimants under the 1958 Federal Temporary Unemployment Compensation Act were manufacturing workers. Unskilled and semi-skilled workers predominated, with unemployment figures at 26% and 23%, respectively.

The median age of TUC claimants was 44.8 years. "This appears to confirm studies which show that while older workers gener-

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ally fare relatively well during recessions because of high seniority ratings, those who do lose their jobs meet with difficulty in getting rehired," the report says.

## Business Failures Rise 6% in Latest D&B Report

Business failures turned up 6% to 1135 in the latest monthly report by Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.

Boosted by increased failures in construction and service industries, business casualties edged above the similar 1958 period for the first time this year. However, the toll remains slightly below the post-war peak for that month established in 1957.

Dollar liabilities involved rose for the second consecutive month to \$54.5 million. Although manufacturing failures dipped to the lowest level thus far in 1959 and wholesaling failures decreased moderately, business mortality in construction, retail trade, and commercial services climbed.

Only the Middle Atlantic and East South Central States had fewer failing businesses than the previous month. New York casualties dropped to an 11-month low. Increases were sharpest in the East North Central and Mountain states.

## Electric Autolite Broadens Product Line

What can suppliers do when major customers decide to make instead of buy?

The Electric Autolite Company did three things when car manufacturers began making many of the items it had been selling them: disposed of its excess plant capacity; started a strong cost-reduction program; began to diversify and alter its identity as a one-industry supplier.

Autolite has stepped up its research and development in ceramics, hydraulics, electronics, acoustics, and pneumatics and is aggressively going after business in those fields. In addition, it plans further diversifica-

tion through acquisitions—like the recently announced purchase of C & D Batteries, Inc., Conshohocken, Pa.

A measure of the effectiveness of Autolite's moves is its earnings record for the first half of this year. President R. H. Davies reports the six-month net is four times more than a year ago, while sales were up 22% for the period.

## New Orders Up For Industrial Supplies

The monthly report of the American Supply & Machinery Manufacturers' Association shows that new orders for industrial supplies and machinery were off 1.9% from the previous month.

Its seasonally adjusted new order index fell 4 points to 212 (July 1948=100). This index reflects new orders for production tools, equipment, and supplies placed by industrial distributors with their manufacturing sources.

A year ago, the ASMMMA barometer was at 172, having gained 24 points from the recession low registered in April 1958. The index rose to 221 in March 1959—matching the record set in January 1957—but since then the pattern has been irregular, more or less paralleling the Federal Reserve Board's seasonally adjusted index for durable goods production.

## Distributors Prepare Articles on Their Role

The Joint Research Committee of the National and Southern Industrial Distributors' Associations is preparing a series of articles about the role of industrial distributors. The articles will appear in local purchasing publications.

The first article was written by R. K. Allison, president of Industrial & Textile Supply Co. of Charlotte, N. C., and an active member of the joint Research Committee. It was called "How to Get the Most Out of Your Industrial Distributor."



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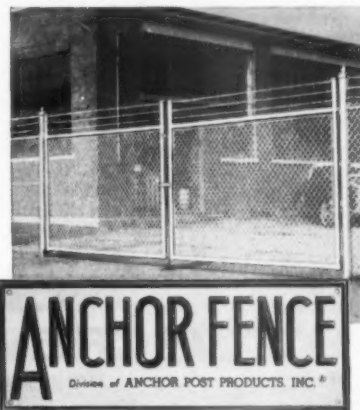
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# Announcement of Major Significance

## FOR EVERY USER OF SOCKET HEAD CAP SCREWS

Following exhaustive studies begun in 1954, the socket screw products industry adopted, on April 24, 1959, new dimensional standards for socket head cap screws. Standard Screw Company participated in these studies and concurred in the recommendations approved by leading fastener manufacturers.

Adoption of the new standards, to be known as the "1960 Series", has important implications for every user of socket screws. As a public service Stanscrew will point out these implications . . . not only in relation to its own products, but also to the overall program of the industry.

### Differences, Advantages Of New Design

The "1960 Series" has been carefully engineered so there is functional uniformity for all sizes, particularly as it applies to wrenching areas and to the relationship of head diameters to body diameters. For most sizes, as illustrated, this means substantial increases in both head diameter and socket size, and thus provides these advantages over the present design:

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Obviously, for many applications, the new design offers important benefits which indicate conversion as rapidly as possible. In some cases, however, existing product design may not accommodate the larger heads . . . or, where socket cap screws are countersunk, revising your countersinking operations may create significant production problems. Stanscrew urges, therefore, that each company learn complete facts on the fastener industry's future plans.

### Timetable For Industry Changeover

Stanscrew has already started production of the new "1960 Series". Manufacture of the present (1936) series will continue, however, and they will be available as standard, in-stock items until at least January 1, 1961. At that time, it is now contemplated the "1960 Series" will become the accepted standard throughout industry and the "1936 Series" will then be furnished only when specifically ordered.

### When Designing A New Model

For products now on the drawing board, this timetable indicates many manufacturers should plan to use the "1960 Series" as the standard for later production. By making such design provisions, you assure maximum acceptance and minimum difficulty in the future.



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### For Existing Products

For many existing applications, where socket cap screws are not countersunk, either the 1936 or the "1960 Series" may be used. In frequent cases, improvements of the 1960 design suggest conversion within a short period. In other applications, where the heads are countersunk or where the greater head diameters of the "1960 Series" create a problem, changeover should probably be postponed until a general redesign of your product is scheduled.

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Stanscrew also has a new brochure which provides complete dimensional and design data on the "1960 Series". No obligation, of course, for your copy.



## Purchasing Follow-up

### **Value Analysis Course To Be Held in Boston**

Purchasing agents, product designers, and manufacturing managers will be among those attending the first industry-wide training course in value engineering and analysis to be held in Boston November 30-December 2.

The course has been developed by the Industrial Education Institute, in cooperation with the Materials Management Institute.

Members of the "faculty" for the course are: L. D. Miles, manager of value services, General Electric Company; Rear Admiral (Ret.) A. G. Mumma, vice-president, engineering, Worthington Corp.; Rear Admiral (Ret.) R. S. Mandelkorn, chairman, value engineering committee, Electronic Industries Association; Vincent deP. Goubeau, vice-president, materials, Radio Corporation of America; Frederick S. Sherwin, manager, value analysis service, Raytheon Company; Don Otis, controller, electric typewriter division, International Business Machines Corp.; Bernard W. Eades, manager, value engineering, Stromberg-Carlson Co.; Raymond J. Spenard, value analysis education, U.S. Army Ordnance; Morgan D. Roderick, office of value engineering, Bureau of Ships, U.S. Navy; Paul V. Farrell, editor, *PURCHASING Magazine*; Louis J. DeRose, executive director, Materials Management Institute; Roy Fountain, manager-value research, General Electric Co.; and R. Glenn Woodward, value engineering consultant, Raytheon Corp.

### **Freight Car Deliveries Rise; New Orders Off**

Deliveries of freight cars to railroads totaled 4890 in the latest monthly report of the Association of American Railroads and the American Railway Car Institute. In the previous month, 4273 cars were shipped.

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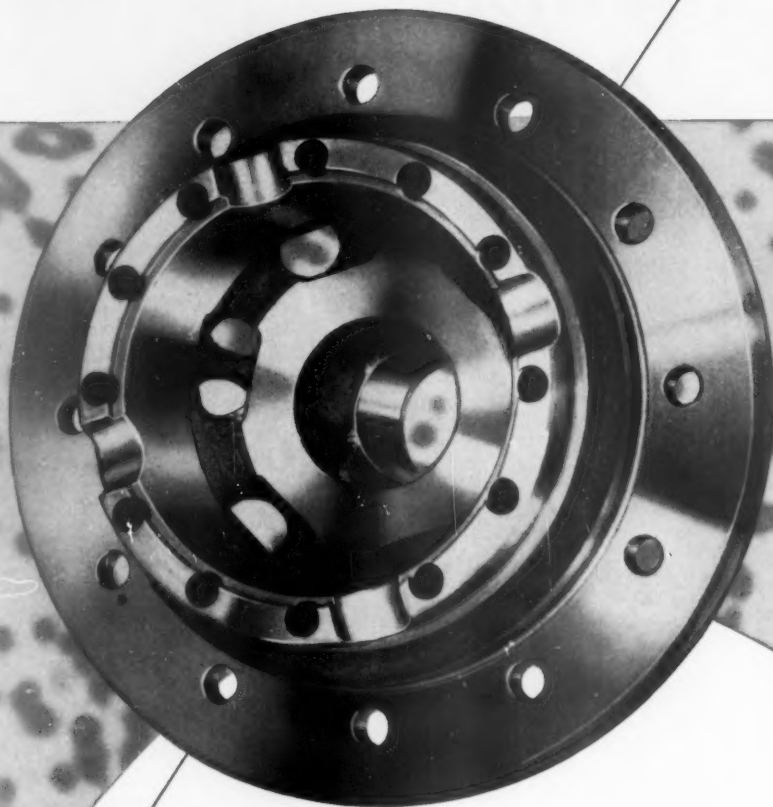
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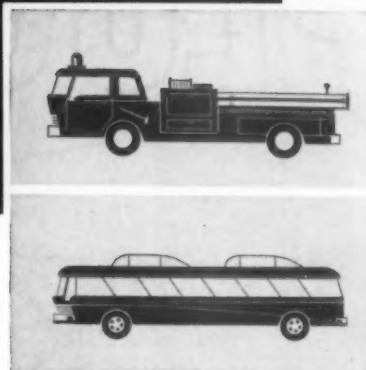
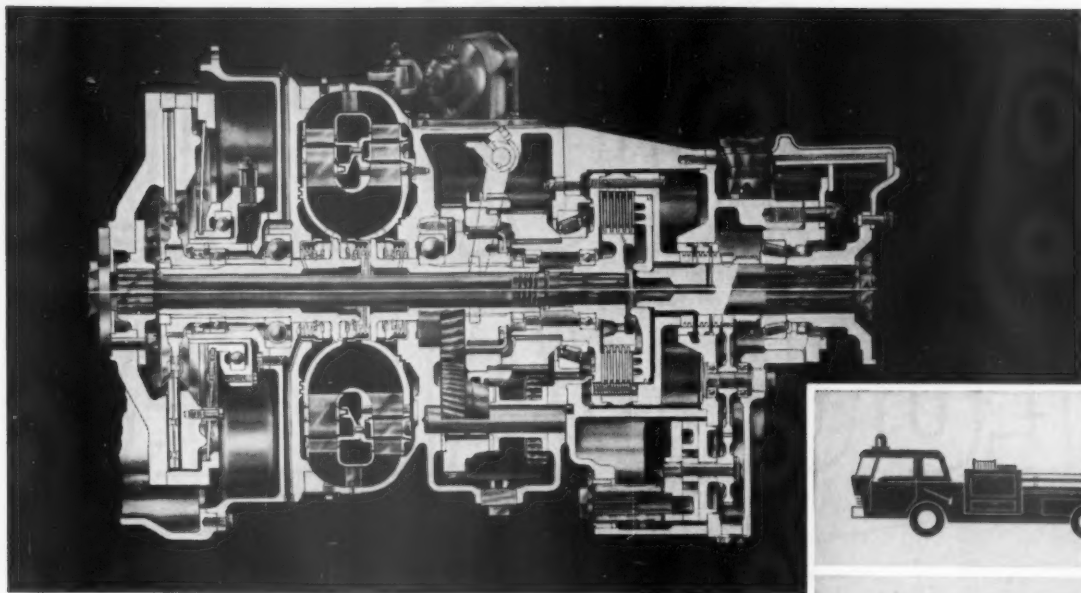
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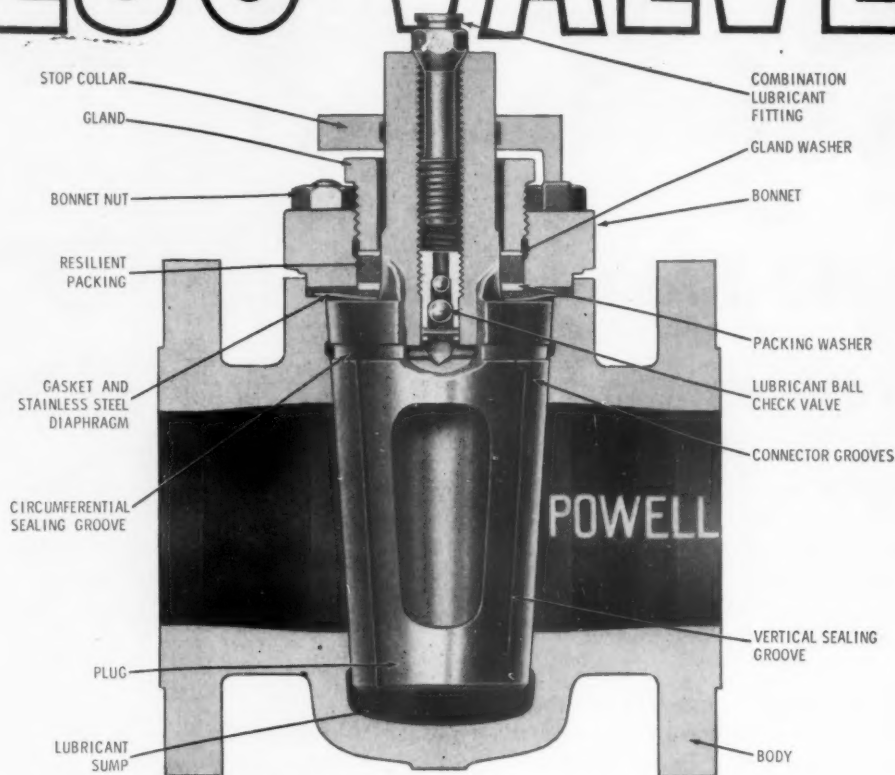
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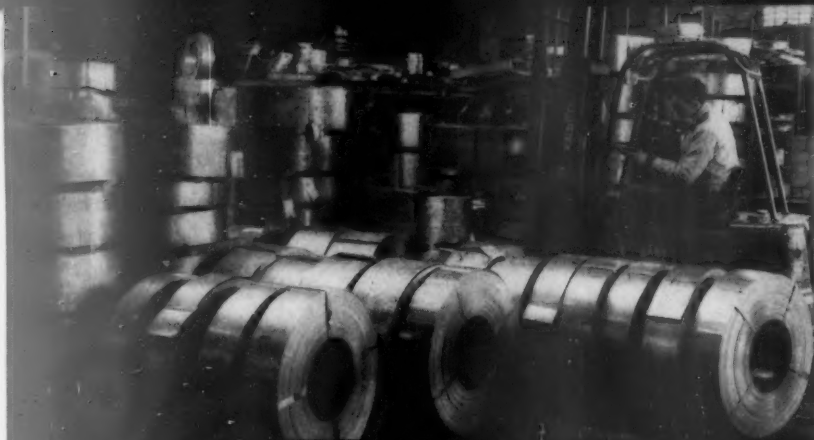
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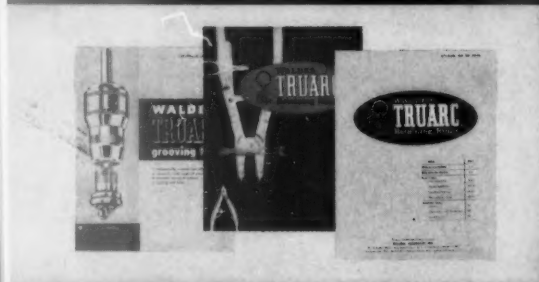
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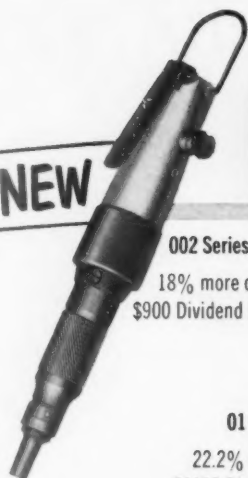
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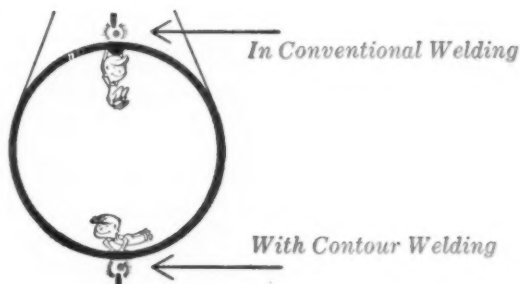
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Handbook No. 500 gives reference data on alloy steel screws. The 36-page illustrated booklet details manufacturing methods. Specification information on the different types of screws are also described.

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## BARREL FINISHING

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## CASTERS AND WHEELS

Catalog No. DP104 covers a line of casters and wheels. The 40-page illustrated bulletin describes duty classifications, product series, and load capacities. Both general duty and heavy duty casters are shown, and hard tread and cushion tread wheels are featured.

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## CONTAINERS

A booklet describing lithographed metal containers. Covers layout, tooling, lithography, and fabrication. Contains graphic illustrations.

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## DRAFTING TABLES

Bulletin SU-620 describes drafting tables. The illustrated catalog shows the mechanism, foot pedals, frame, and parts.

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## FLOOR TRUCKS

A data sheet on lightweight aluminum floor trucks. Features illustrations, specifications, and construction features.

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## GRINDING MACHINES

Bulletin 2-273A-1 describes design features, applications, and accessories of internal grinding machines. The eight-page illustrated two-color brochure covers work on shafts, gears, bushings, hub and spacer faces, and outside diameters.

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## INDUSTRIAL COILS

Bulletin No. S-30 describes custom-made industrial coils. The illustrated catalog covers miniature to giant-size coils.

**Stonite Coil Corporation**

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## LIGHTING SUPPORTS

Bulletin G02 describes channel type lighting supports for installing wiring and electrical fixtures. Includes recommendations for applications, installation procedures, and construction features. Has photographs, illustrations, dimensional data, and table listings.

**Steel City Electric Company**

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## MECHANICAL RUBBER PRODUCTS

Handbook M-60 covers molded, extruded, lathe cut, and punched rubber products. The 68-page bulletin contains base polymer charts giving resistances of vulcanates and recommendations for use under specific conditions. Also has a compound identification system, actual swatches, and a listing of 18 standard colors. Typical custom molded products are illustrated and over 500 standard parts are drawn to scale.

**Lavelle Rubber Company**

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## METAL FORMING

Bulletin 601b covers facilities for wire and strip metal forming, stampings, and assemblies. Illustrated with photographs of typical parts, the data sheet lists maximum dimensions of work that can be formed.

**American Machine and Metals, Inc.**

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## MOTORS

Bulletin No. F-1975 covers turbine pump motors, type HV-1. The full-color brochure contains a cross-section of the motor and a full explanation of its design features. Also describes the Microset coupling.

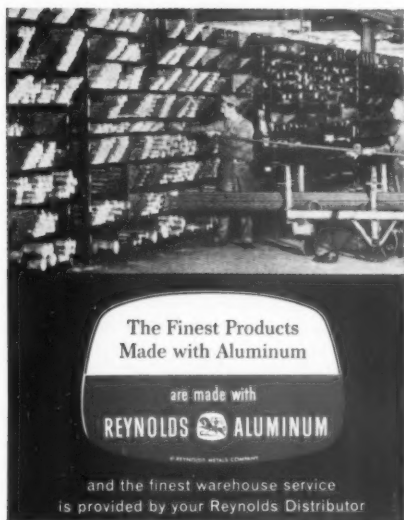
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#### PLATINUM PRODUCTS

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#### PUMPS (TURBINE TYPE)

Bulletin #S-111 illustrates and describes features of turbine type pumps. Also includes exploded views, selection tables, limitation charts, dimensions, and specifications.

**New York Air Brake Company**

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#### PUMPS (WATER INJECTION)

An illustrated catalog sheet covering water injection pumps. Describes the performance and specifications of Model #188.

**Curtiss-Wright Corp.**

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#### SAFETY SWITCHES

A catalog covering a line of light, standard, and heavy duty safety switches. Contains specifying information, including dimensions, capacities, voltages, and horsepower ratings.

**Frank Adam Electric Company**

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#### VIBRATORS

Bulletin No. 1016E describes a 3-hp model vibrator for precision finishing of metal, plastic, or wooden parts. The four-page letterhead-size bulletin gives general information, construction features, and detailed specifications.

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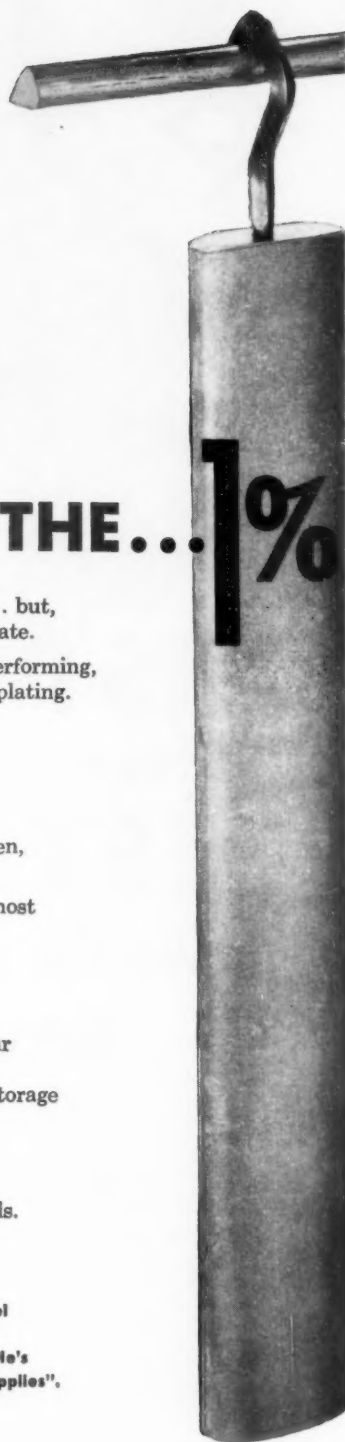
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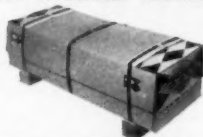
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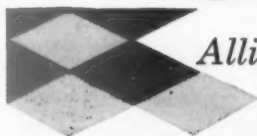
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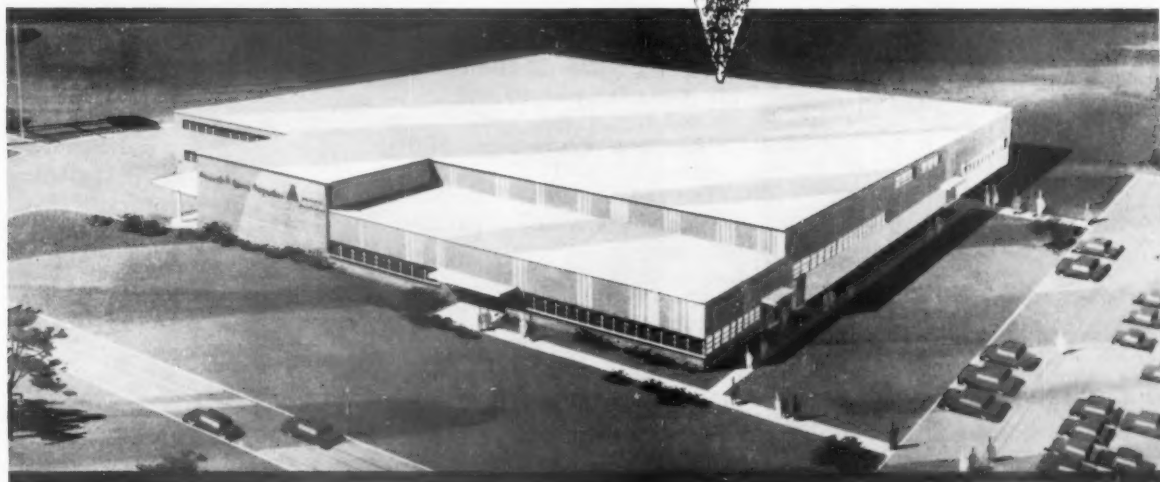
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## Letters To The Editor

### FOREIGN SOURCES

Dear Sir:

We are initiating a foreign market survey to investigate the purchasing possibilities of buying several of our component parts from foreign sources.

We would appreciate the following information, if available:

(1) Company names and addresses of foreign electrical manufacturers.

(2) A central point or agency which has close contact with European and Japanese markets.

(3) Your recommendations, in general, as to the best way to conduct a survey of this kind.

Name Withheld

• The commercial attache at the Washington Embassy of the various countries will be more than happy to assist in developing sources of supply. The European Community Information Service, 220 Southern Bldg., Washington 5, D. C. will also provide information on trade with its six member nations (Belgium, Netherlands, Luxembourg, France, Italy and West Germany).

### TIME FOR THE HARD BUY

Dear Sir:

Your editorial ("Purchasing and Profits") in the August 31 issue of PURCHASING Magazine was most timely, if not overdue.

I am certainly one who subscribes to the concept that constructive criticism published in our purchasing periodicals is an excellent tool to keep us on the track and keep our heads to an appropriate size.

However, I have become more and more dismayed in recent years as purchasing publications seem to be leaning toward the idea that doing a good buying job was incidental to keeping suppliers happy. Certainly we have an obligation in this regard, at least to the extent that it improves the suppliers and thus improves our own and national business.

Text books and sales managers' exhortations to salesmen rarely,

if ever, are directed to the philosophy that purchasing people should be happy, but are rather directed toward the development of the salesman so he can out-smart the purchasing people. I am all for this.

Anytime that our business world moves away from the hard sell and the hard buy, we are likely headed for trouble. I have felt that there has been some threat towards the development of the concept that the hard sell is o.k., but the hard buy is a somewhat disreputable activity.

Congratulations on a much needed editorial.

J. Donald Hogg  
Manager, Purchasing Department  
Cleveland Electric Illuminating  
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Cleveland, Ohio

### VENDOR RATING

Dear Sir:

We very much appreciate the material from PURCHASING Magazine on vendor rating systems.

With the aid of this material, we have developed a vendor rating system which will serve our needs. Our sincere thanks for your courtesy.

M. H. Wagner  
Purchasing Analyst  
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### PERMISSION GRANTED

Dear Sir:

We would appreciate it very much if you would grant us permission to reproduce the article on value analysis which appeared in the June 8 issue of PURCHASING Magazine. And also the article, "How To Know When To Make or Buy" from the January 5 issue.

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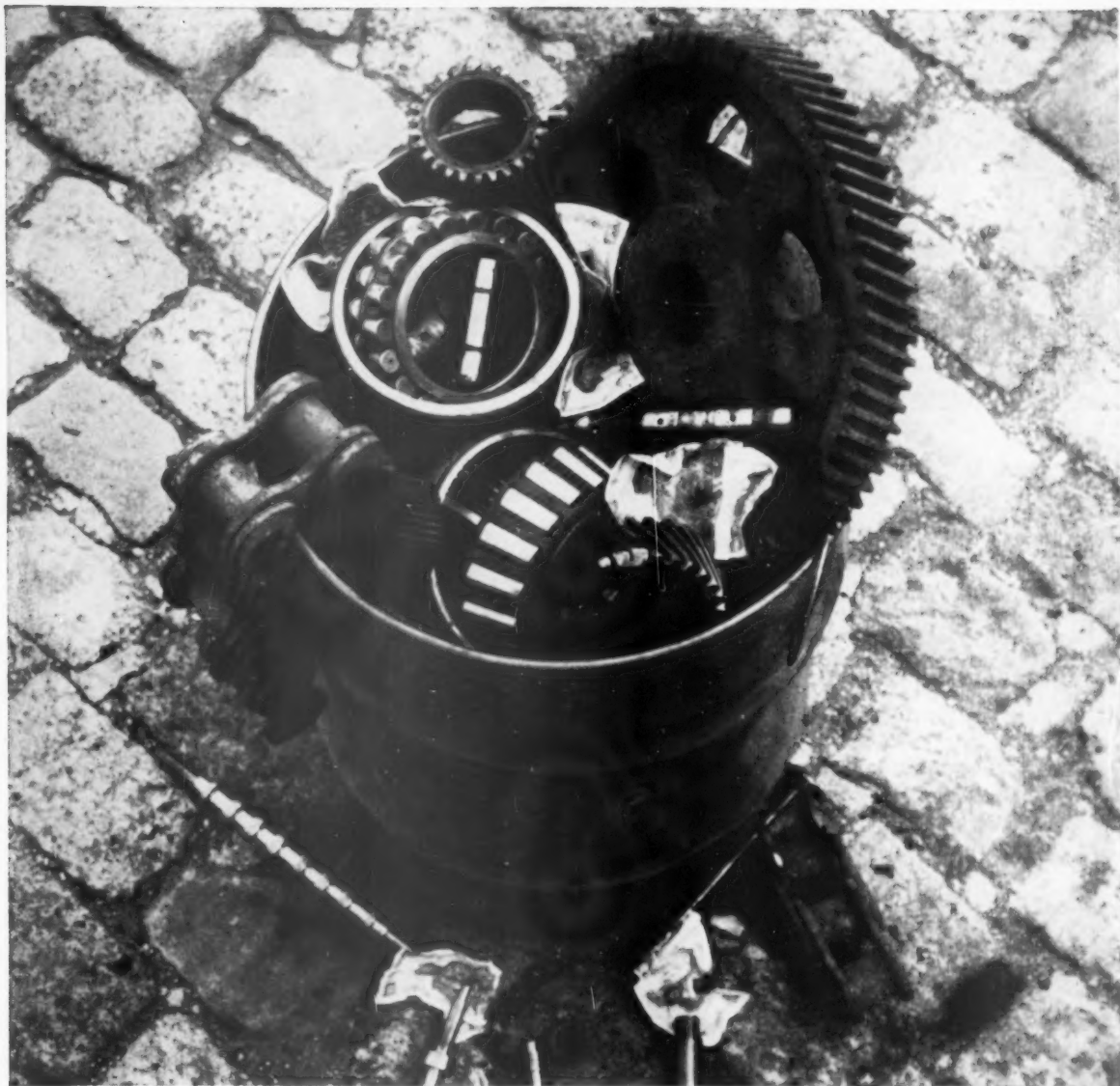
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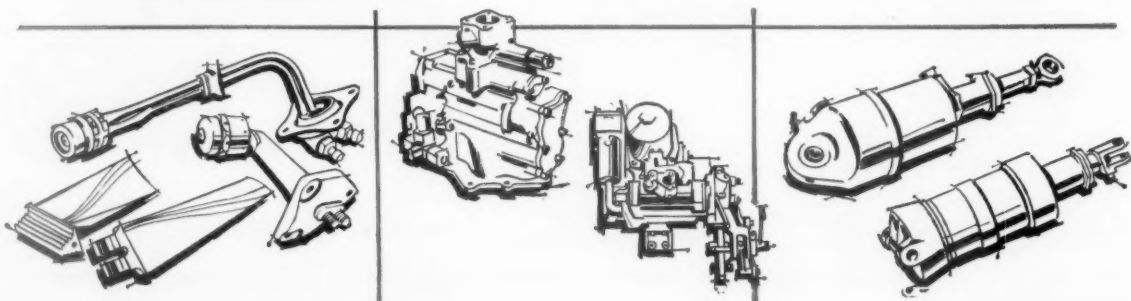
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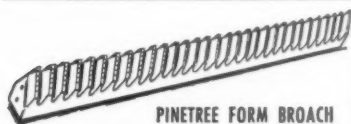
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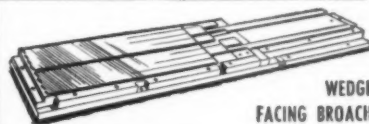
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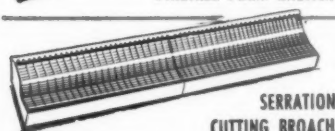
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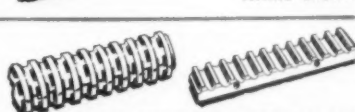
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## Purchasing People In The News

Organization of a value analysis section with **D. O. Millar** as engineer-in-charge has been announced by **Allis-Chalmers Purchasing Division, Milwaukee, Wisc.** According to **K. R. Geist**, director of purchases, the new section will apply value analysis to all materials and services. Until his new appointment, Mr. Millar had been an engineer in Allis-Chalmers compressor department. He joined the company in 1947. He is credited with many mechanical improvements in the firm's compressors. He is a mechanical engineering graduate of the University of Wisconsin.

**Connecticut Aeronautic Nuclear Engine Laboratory (CANEL), Middletown, Conn.**, has announced the appointment



**Edward H. McVeigh**

of **Edward H. McVeigh** as purchasing agent. The CANEL facility is operated by Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, which is conducting a development program for an aircraft nuclear engine under sponsorship of the Atomic Energy Commission, the Air Force and the Navy. Mr. McVeigh has been employed since 1939 by Pratt & Whitney Aircraft's purchasing department. He served as an expeditor, assistant supervisor, buyer, and, for the last five years, as a chief buyer.

**Delbert A. Burman** has been appointed assistant director of purchases by the **Crucible Steel Company of America, Pittsburgh, Pa.** He was formerly buyer in the



**Delbert A. Burman**

company's purchasing division. Mr. Burman came to Crucible in 1957 after ten years of service with the Ford Motor Company in Livonia and Dearborn, Mich. He was a buyer at Ford when he resigned to join Crucible. Mr. Burman attended the University of New Mexico and later the University of North Dakota where in 1947 he received a Bachelor of Science degree.

**Donald B. Black** has been named assistant purchasing agent for raw materials for the **Midland Division, The Dow Chemical**



**Donald B. Black**

**Company, Midland, Mich.** Mr. Black succeeds **E. C. Hawkins** who has entered private business. Mr. Black has been with Dow since 1941. He moved to his new position from chemicals sales where he was on special assignment. Prior to this he was supervisor of fine chemical sales. From 1942 to 1944 he was assigned to Dow's Washington, D.C., office serving as liaison with the government.

**John M. D. Suesman** has been promoted to director of purchases for **B-I-F Industries, Inc., Provi-**



**J. M. D. Suesman**

dence, **R. I.** Mr. Suesman was assistant district manager for the company. He is a graduate of Brown University.

**Ray M. Taylor** has been appointed manager of purchases for **Southern California Edison Company, Los Angeles, Calif.** He succeeds **C. P. Altland** who died. Mr. Taylor has been associated with the electric utility company for 37 years. He began work in the company's commercial department in Tulare in 1922. Moving to the Los Angeles general office in 1929, he served as a supervisor of sales. He entered the purchasing department as a buyer in 1942. He was named chief buyer in 1947 and assistant manager of purchases in 1949.



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## FOB—"filosofy of buying"

A MAN who was over here recently telling us how much better things were going to be in his country than in ours had better arrange for his people to take some lessons in purchasing and inventory control from the wicked capitalists. According to the Associated Press, the leader of a Ukrainian collective farm wrote to the newspaper *Izvestia* complaining that high priced farm machinery was rotting away because of a lack of spare parts. He accused some unidentified P.A.—or "buying influence"—of spending thousands of rubles to replace broken machines instead of several rubles for a spare part. A reporter from the paper hurried out and found that the situation was even worse. Garages were loaded with spare parts—but not for machines used in the area.

Maybe in the new spirit of co-operation we've been hearing about we ought to offer them a couple of tearsheets that could help them (See "A System for

Buying Replacement Parts," p. 79, Sept., 1957)

While we're awaiting their request, we'd like to remind you of an old gag that's still valid. The top newspapers in the Soviet Union are *Pravda* (Truth) and *Izvestia* (News). A U.S. correspondent in Moscow, after years of studying them, summed them up this way: "There's no pravda in *Izvestia* and no *izvestia* in *Pravda*."

IF YOU'RE keeping tabs on salary scales, you'll be interested in the latest figures from the City College of New York:

1959 graduates get an average starting salary of \$520 a month. The highest reported salary, \$750 a month, went to an electrical engineer. Average monthly salary of all engineers was \$495. Physicists averaged \$504, and liberal arts graduates \$344. (That \$750



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man certainly pulled the general average up.)

One statistic may indicate that industry isn't as interested in liberal arts graduates as a lot of recent speeches, articles, etc. would lead you to think: Liberal arts graduates entering Civil Service—where engineering wage scales are about \$100 a month lower than those in industry—receive on the average about \$10 a month more than industry offers.

WHAT DOES a busy purchasing agent do when he's not busy purchasing? Almost everything, according to a report on "Extra-curricular Activities of Purchasing Departments" in the lively bulletin of the National Association of Newspaper Purchasing Executives. Bulletin Editor Owen Lewis of the *Winston-Salem Journal & Sentinel* surveyed the members on non-buying duties and found they ranged across 35 different activities. These included safety, personnel, cafeteria, central stenographic, storeroom, building administration, etc., etc. H. H. Eastus, *Dallas Morning News*, summed up his situation thus: "You name it, we will handle—particularly if it's an odd-ball."

Lou Davis, The Los Angeles *Times-Mirror*, replied with a bit of philosophy that any good purchasing man could accept:

"To a large extent, of course, additional duties taken over by purchasing will depend on the number and quality of the personnel in the department, and the volume of purchasing required. But whenever possible, purchasing should rightly assume additional management functions, enhancing its position as a member of the management team. It should likewise try to avoid petty, troublesome duties cast off by other departments, tending to downgrade the status of purchasing."

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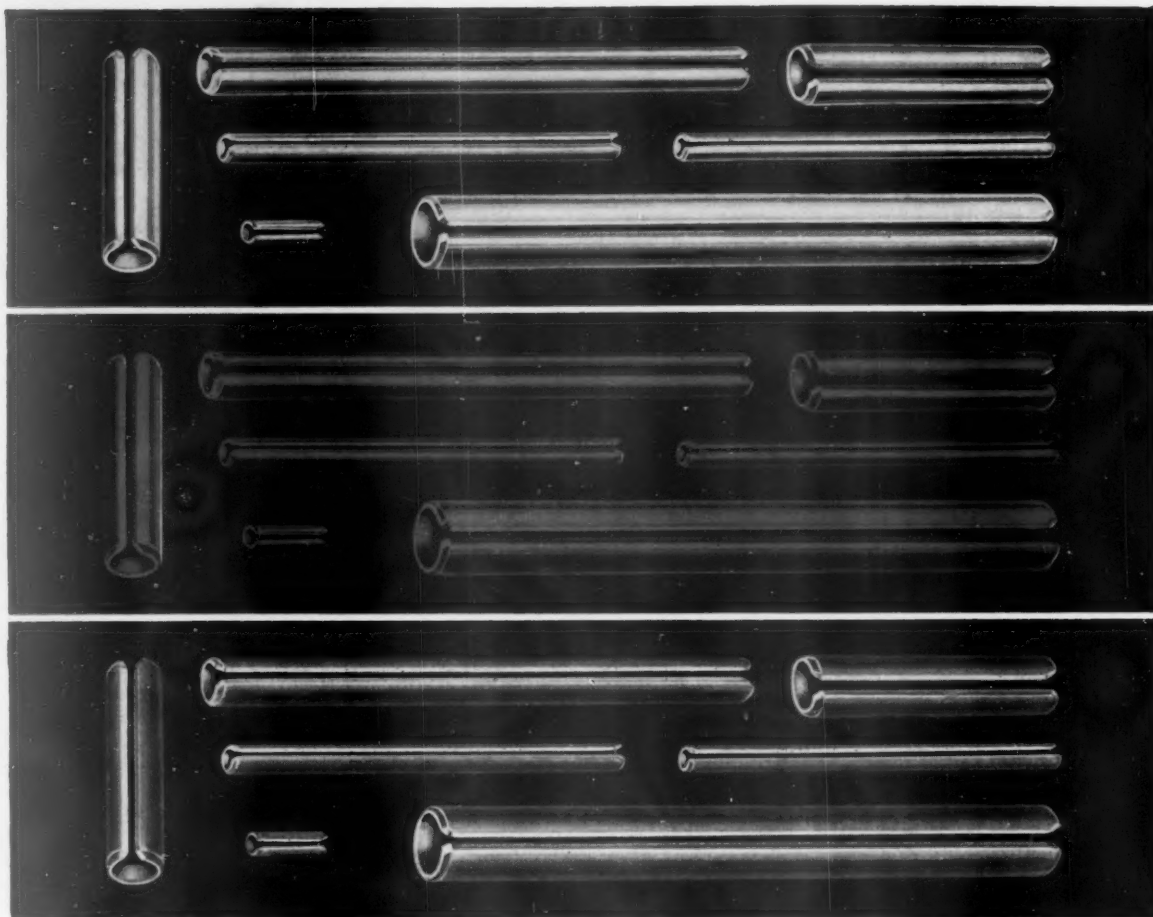


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## Highlights of This Issue

### ✓ Purchasing in Britain

The rapid rise of purchasing as a profession in Britain and other European countries has aroused a good deal of interest among purchasing people here. Exchange of information and ideas has grown considerably in the past few years, and we are happy now to announce another forward step in this informal program. In this issue we present the first of a series of studies of the buying policies and practices of leading European firms. It is a report on purchasing at Rover Company Ltd. This outstanding auto manufacturer has many buying problems similar to yours. Some of its solutions may be different from yours, but they're all worth your attention. See page 69.

### ✓ The P.A. as Profit-Maker

We can all agree that purchasing is indeed a profit-making function. But it takes a little more than just stating the proposition to prove it. Savings must be defined, tabulated and reported before anyone outside the department is impressed by them. Several hundred P.A.'s report on how they figure savings and report them to management in our current Purchasing Opinion Poll. Check your own practices against theirs. See page 9.

### ✓ Giant Job With a Small Staff

How many buyers are needed to purchase \$20 million worth of commodities every year? The answer, of course, depends on the nature of the business, the volume of raw materials compared to fabricated parts, and the way the purchasing department is organized. One purchasing executive in the electronics business does it with only three buyers, which may be something of a record low. Streamlined techniques, close follow-up, and excellent coordination with production and engineering are his "secrets." See page 82.

### ✓ Two Views on Value Analysis

This issue contains two encouraging stories on how value analysis is being practiced outside industrial purchasing departments. One covers the value analyzing techniques of a group at the Army's missile test center in Redstone, Alabama, the other a value approach used by a supplier. Both will provide you with some excellent guides and ideas for your own value buying program. See pages 79 and 84.

#### Coming In Future Issues

**Linear Programming, A New Tool for Purchasing; How to Cut Transportation Costs; How Carrier Corp. Buys**

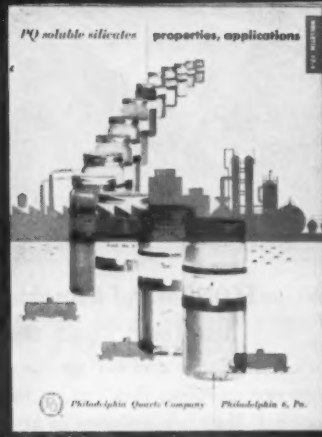
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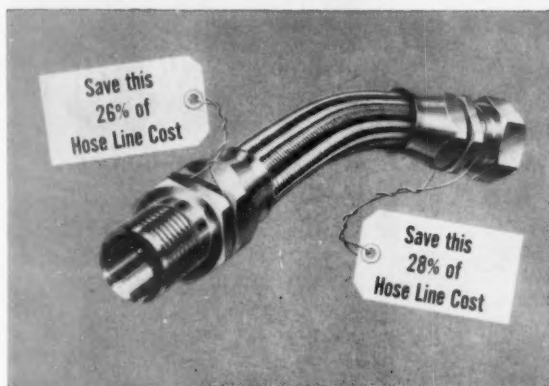
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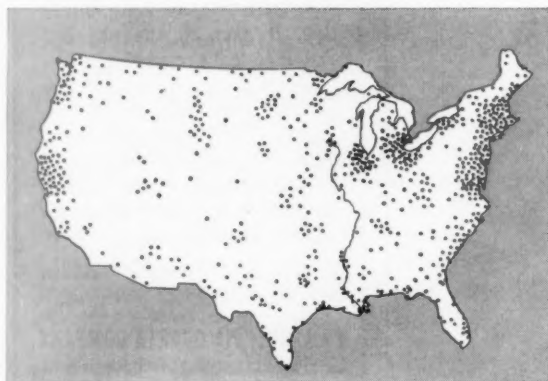
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AN AIR of uncertainty hangs over business. Just as on an opening night, both the audience and the principals are tense, expectant, and curious in varying degrees. It seems as if the economy stands poised, ready to change direction as soon as certain questions are resolved. Business is good but these are the problems that are clouding the outlook:

What will be the long-range effects, if any, of the Eisenhower-Khrushchev talks? Is a significant degree of disarmament a possibility, and if so can our economy take a cut in arms spending in stride?

Would the use of the Taft-Hartley Law in the steel strike portend a settlement in favor of labor and a defeat for the industry's hold-the-line-on-prices campaign? How much fuel will a steel price rise add to inflation fires?

How long will the Federal Reserve Board's tight money policy stay in effect? How much of a damper is it putting on plans for capital goods expansion, and ultimately on the economy as a whole?

In general, the experts tend to be more bullish than bearish. Consumers are still spending at a good clip and the moderate boom that began late last year should get a new lease on life with the end of the steel strike. There appears to be enough momentum in the economy to keep it at high levels well into 1960 if money doesn't get any tighter.

In a period of transition like this, it's a good thing for the purchasing agent to take stock of himself and to go over his department to see just how taut a ship he has to weather any economic storms ahead, whether they be inflationary or deflationary.

He must be sure that his buying practices and policies are flexible enough so that he can adapt to rapidly changing conditions. He must be equipped with more than feeble and ineffective complaints to counter any upward trend in prices. He cannot afford to be casual in his cost reduction efforts—an aggressive program is essential regardless of what stage of the business cycle we find ourselves in. He should make his voice heard now in favor of a reasonable inventory policy as opposed to the boom-or-bust methods still so popular with many managements. He must take advantage of all the economic information available to him (and often available to no one else in the company) to help himself and his management steer a clear course.

One can surrender feebly to movements of economic forces or one can accept the challenge they offer with initiative, courage and imagination. There is only one course open to the purchasing agent who considers himself a business executive.

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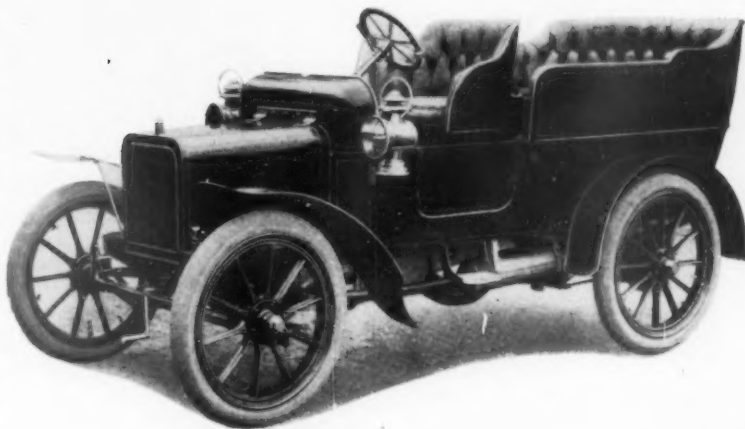


## Purchasing in Britain

**T**HERE'S NOTHING new about materials management at Rover Co., Ltd. in Solihull, Warwickshire, England. They've had an effective program operating for a long time. Responsibility for all phases of materials management at this well-known British auto company is in the hands of Mr. A. B. Smith. It's an extremely important job since Rover spends roughly 65% of its sales dollar on purchased parts and materials. And management recognizes this fact. That's one of the reasons Smith is one of the company's five executive directors.

It's not surprising to find that Rover is one of the leaders in materials management because it is one of the pioneers in the British auto industry. It started out making bicycles in 1877 and made its first motor car in 1904. The company currently makes two lines of vehicles—the Rover, which enjoys wide acceptance as a luxury car in the medium-priced field, and the 4-wheel drive Land Rover, a rugged vehicle designed to cross almost any kind of terrain. In addition, in 1950 the company gained the distinction of producing the world's first gas-turbine motor car. It currently makes a line of commercial gas-turbine units and is also conducting intensive development work on a new gas turbine sports car.

Rover has all the materials management problems of an American auto company plus a few extra ones that make the job even tougher. It exports about 70% of its production—sending autos to practically every country in the world. To hold a place in so many markets, Rover must offer countless variations of its models. This creates special problems in purchasing and material control. Even though the company is a small one (it has about 10,000 employees) compared to American autodom's gargantuan "Big Three," it must buy about 17,000 different production parts.



The Rover has changed a lot since this 1904 model was built (£220 with lamps extra). Both the company's products and its materials management techniques are as up-to-date as any in the world.

## Materials Management at Rover Co. Ltd.

In addition, it must also purchase needed supplies and equipment and uncounted thousands of past model service parts.

Not surprisingly, Rover's materials organization is big. It consists of two main groups—buying and supplies. Both groups are decentralized. Chief Buyer G. E. Dix (who reports directly to A. B. Smith, whose title is Executive Director — Supplies) supervises eight different purchasing departments in Solihull, Tyseley, London, and Acocks Green. The second main group, supplies, is supervised by Supplies Manager H.

Lamb who is responsible for material control and stores. Reporting to him are four separate groups responsible for stores, material control and pre-printed requisitions at company plants.

### Buyers Figure Needs

The Rover purchasing process starts with a "Sanction" issued by the board of directors. This document authorizes purchasing to buy necessary parts and materials for a given number of vehicles. From the "Sanction" and bills of material, each buying section then determines its individual



As in American companies, Rover depends upon the specialist supplier for many cost-cutting ideas. Here G. C. Brown, assistant to the chief buyer at Rover, (left) and Geoffrey Clarke, director of Messrs. Valves Ltd., discuss a new valve.

parts and materials requirements and posts them to "Master Record" cards.

Buyers do much of this detail work. The reason for this, says Smith, is that, "Buyers, in the process of breaking down specifications and preparing Master Cards acquire a considerable amount of detailed knowledge and an appreciation of parts and their applicability." There's nothing like detail work of this sort for a man to really get to know his parts. However, as will be discussed later in this article, mechanization of paperwork may make this phase of the buyer's job a thing of the past.

#### Progressive Buying

Like progressive American firms, Rover believes in getting competitive bids whenever possible. To get quotes, it uses a "tender" form. When there is nothing to limit competition, tender forms may go to as many as ten firms. Typically, a half dozen or more established sources are invited to bid as well as one

or two newcomers. But buyers don't shoot out inquiries on a helter-skelter basis by any means. Each potential new supplier is carefully investigated. Rover purchasing executives visit vendor plants; they also get a lot of valuable tips from fellow members of the Purchasing Officers Association.

Quotes are posted to the Master Record Card. The buyer then makes his analysis and places the order. Rover's order form is fairly conventional and is of the continuous type. Orders are not pre-numbered. Instead, each purchasing department section has its own pre-fix and number series. This makes identification easy—important since each buying section keeps its own separate register of orders issued.

Like most American p. o.'s, the Rover form has "fine print" on the back listing terms and condition. Two of these clauses would surprise most American P. A.'s:

(1). **Carriage charges.** Rover expects goods to be delivered carriage (i. e. freight) paid un-

less there is specific provision for freight charges on the face of the order. It also reserves the "Right of Collection" to pick up materials in its own truck. In such cases, the buyer negotiates a freight allowance from the supplier.

(2). **Empty (i. e. returnable) cases and packages.** Most American P. A.'s will accept arrangements where they pay for reusable containers and then re-sell them to the supplier. Rover won't do this. It will agree only to return them. However, it does agree to maintain strict controls over such containers to make sure they are returned.

Rover gets along with fewer copies of its purchase order than most American companies with comparable purchasing operations. It makes just five with copies going to the vendor, purchasing files, material control, inspection, and cost. The supplier acknowledges an order by tearing off and returning a slip at the bottom of its copy.

Purchases for non-productive materials are handled much as they are in American companies. Purchasing issues individual orders against requisitions. Materials that are used frequently such as petrol, oils, packaging materials, etc.—are purchased on an annual contract basis. Even though Rover purchasing is decentralized, the contracts are usually issued on a company-wide basis to get the best terms. The various works buyers then order requirements from a common contract.

#### Analyzing Prices

Rover must be competitive cost-wise. Since the bulk of its sales come from exports, its costs and prices must be in line with those of almost every other auto manufacturer in the world. As a result, Rover purchasing is extremely cost conscious. It is currently contemplating setting up a separate value analysis department to work exclusively on cost reduction.

Currently, it is operating a Project Costing Section. This group works with engineers when new models are still in the draw-



British buyers probably hold just as many meetings as their American counterparts. At Rover, the top buyers hold periodic meetings which are presided over by Chief Buyer G. E. Dix. Addressing the group, here, is H. Lamb, supplies manager.

ing stage. The objective is to have good cost estimates available long before the first vehicle is produced. Purchasing provides estimates on purchased items; planning on "make" items; and the cost department prepares the final estimates. Purchasing, planning, and cost have also teamed up on another related project: analysis of existing production items. The group sets target prices on these items to stimulate cost reduction efforts.

Rover finds that some clerical tasks facilitate value analysis. As was previously mentioned, the buyers themselves break down the over-all bills of materials, determine unit requirements, and post the Master Cards. In the process, they can readily review the purchase history of each item. Occasionally they also make special studies. One of them was a "production material price analysis." The analysis was carried out as follows:

- (1) A series of "Buying Group Nos." was allocated to each buyer.

- (2) A series of "Material Code Nos." was allocated to each group of materials, each part being entered under its predominant material, e.g. non-alloy steel, hides, electrical equipment, etc.
- (3) A series of numbers known as "Vehicle Code Nos." was given to each of the company's products.
- (4) Each buyer was then issued a batch of "Material Analysis Hollerith Cards" (punched cards) on which he was required to enter the following details:
  - (a) Part Number
  - (b) Description
  - (c) Buying Group No.
  - (d) Vehicle Code No.
  - (e) Material Code No.
  - (f) Price Per Set
  - (g) Suppliers No.

Prices were inserted in shillings and decimals of a shilling to four places of decimals, e.g. 2/6d = 2.500.

When the punched card had been completed, it was a simple matter to run off the Master Cards

to provide almost any sort of breakdown of prices—for one or all vehicle groups, for comparison of buying groups, etc.

As noted before, manual posting of Master Cards will probably soon become a thing of the past at Rover. The company is currently investigating electronic data processing equipment and eventually this equipment will take over many clerical chores not only in purchasing but also in material control and stores.

#### Controlling Material

Auto companies everywhere work from relatively low inventories and require a steady flow of material to keep operating without interruption. Rover is no exception. As with other companies, its material control department is vital to successful operation. At Rover, material control schedules are set at a monthly meeting attended by representatives of the production, purchasing, material control, planning and sales departments.

From these schedules, material



## Rover's Purchasing Form

Although this form is a simple one, it is a very well laid out. Obviously, it is a very simple form, and it is allowed for all the work of the purchasing department.

Part No.		Description	Material	Specimen	Weight	Qty. of	Remarks	Part No.
Supplier		Price	Time	Time				

PURCHASE ORDERS										DELIVERIES										MAKER'S SLIP									
Date	No.	Quantity	Production	Replacement	Grand Total	Supplies	Date	G.S.	Ex. Order	Total	Ex. Order	Total	Grand Total	Supplies	Date	G.S.	Ex. Order	Total	Ex. Order	Total	Grand Total	Date	Qty.	Price	Time	Time			

RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS									
No.	Date	Date	Production	Replacement	Grand Total	Qty.	Total	Grand Total	Qty.

This master record card is used by the material control department at Rover to keep informed on the exact status of each production part.

Rover's purchase order is a relatively simple form. Acknowledgment is made by simply tearing off the bottom part of the form and returning it to the buyer.

<b>ORDER</b> <b>THE ROVER COMPANY LTD.</b> METEOR WORKS, SOLIHULL WARWICKSHIRE		TELEGRAMS: METEOR SOLIHULL TEL. 52-122
REP. COST NO. _____		ORDER No. _____
To _____ (THE SUPPLIER)		DATE _____ <small>THIS ORDER MUST BE STATED ON ALL ADVISE NOTES AND INVOICES</small>
(Large empty space for order details)		PRICE: <small>ANY AND ALL SUPPLIES MUST BE ORDERED THROUGH</small>
DELIVERY IN THE HANDS OF THE MATERIAL CONTROL DEPT. TO _____		THE ROVER COMPANY LTD.
FOR OTHER DESTINATION AS DIRECTED BY MATERIAL CONTROL DEPT. SUBJECT TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS BYRLEAF		
<b>ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ORDER</b>		
To: THE ROVER COMPANY LTD. PURCHASE DEPT., METEOR WORKS, SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE		ORDER No. _____
We acknowledge receipt of the above order which will be executed in accordance with the instructions and conditions stated thereon.		
Supplier's Signature _____ Date _____		
PLEASE DETACH, SIGN AND DESPATCH TO US BY RETURN MAIL		



TENDER FORM

**THE ROVER COMPANY LIMITED**  
METEOR WORKS  
LODE LANE, SOLIHULL

Telephone No. BILLETON 6241  
Rate to Supplier

Tender for Material Supplies from \_\_\_\_\_

Reference No. \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity	Part No.	Description	C	V	E	Per
<p>Kindly repeat your Quotation for the Supply of the following Goods:—</p>						
<p>PLEASE RETAIN DUPLICATE COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS.</p>						

Specimen of Stock wanted \* (see under use in following) may be required at:—

Estimated delivery requirement:—

Delivery:—

Shipment times for each 240 month following delivery:—

What extra charges are you prepared to allow for each at the end of the week following delivery of goods?

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Form No. S.S. 20 (CONDITIONS SEE OVER)

Rover's "tender form" is used to request quotations from potential suppliers. The pounds, shillings, pence would confuse many American suppliers. Except for that, the form would look quite familiar.

Rover uses punched "Hollerith" (similar to IBM) cards. A program is now underway to make further use of punched card and electronic data processing equipment.

Part Number: L 251

Material Code: 230843

THE ROVER COMPANY LTD

MATERIALS ANALYSIS

BUYING CARD

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control then issues three-months' releases for individual parts to suppliers. It then does any necessary expediting. Most of this work is done on the telephone, but the department does have a half-dozen outside liaison men who deal with "hot spot" items or with suppliers needing expediting assistance for one reason or another. At the Solihull Works, these men divide up the work alphabetically. For example, one man might have vendors "A" through "F"; another "G" through "M", etc. On multi-source items, two men must sometimes work together, of course. At the Tyseley plant, on the other hand, expeditors divide

work by type of commodity handled.

### Keep Parts Records

After material control and purchasing get material into the plant, the stores departments take over. Each of Rover's stores departments keeps a record of each part. These cards are called "bin boards." They are the usual record designed to record receipts, stock, and issues. Theoretical balances shown on the stock records are periodically re-checked with a physical count made by the Stock Audit Department under the direction of the company's chief accountant.

Thus far, we have discussed three basic phases of the materials cycle: buying the material, scheduling and expediting; and storage. The fourth basic phase is moving the material from stores to the point of use in the plant. This is done by a fourth group in the materials department—the pre-printed requisition department.

This department gets the following information:

- (1) complete specifications and all modifications of them.
- (2) All production programs.
- (3) A weekly summary of sales.
- (4) From the planning departments, lists of all compo-



Rover's material control department at Solihull looks little different from that of hundreds of companies in the United States. The two executives in the foreground are L. N. Callaby and F. W. Allen.

nents and assembly "operation sheets" together with details of economic "quantity batch issues".

The above information is broken down into index cards, and from these a set of "operational heading plates" is made out on Adrena or Addressograph machines. Each week the master plates are used to turn out the following documents for materials that get further processing:

(1) A "stores requisition card" is sent to stores and is the authority to issue those parts for production. After issue of materials, this card is sent to the works progress department.

(2) A master "Kardex" card goes to stores with the requisition card. Apart from a general descriptive heading, this card shows the sequence of manufacturing operations and is issued from the stores with the unfinished material, and accompanies it through

all its subsequent operations up to the final finished parts stores. After the parts have been entered as a receipt on the "stores bin boards," the Kardex card which has had manufacturing details entered at each operational stage, is forwarded on to the cost department.

(3) A "progress card" details the number sequence of operations, etc. This card is sent to the works progress department where it is filed until the receipt from stores of its equivalent requisition card. Then it is taken out of the holding file and used by the progress people as their work-in-progress record.

(4) A "cost office notification slip" which is sent to works progress department is forwarded on to cost department.

(5) A batch of cards, (stapled together, for each item in operational sequence, with one card for each operation) goes to the cost

department for ultimate use in computing wages.

In the case of Finished Stores materials a stores requisition card only is used, exactly as that used for new material as described in note (1).

All documents relating to the same batch and part number bear the same Master Card number.

Thus Rover purchasing has responsibility for the complete purchasing cycle. In this respect, Rover is probably not a typically British firm. Most British firms, like their American counterparts, have yet to accept the concept of an integrated approach to materials. Typically they feel that the purchasing department should stick to buying from requisitions sent to it from some other department. In a few of the worst cases, of course, management doesn't even let purchasing do the buying; it accepts purchasing only as a clerical convenience.

# Writing Purchase Orders Without Requisitions

**AT SPEIDEL** Corporation, Providence, R.I., they have eliminated the purchase order—at least for raw material and component part purchases. P.A. Tom Seavor and his three buyers make up their P.O.'s directly from factory production orders. In bypassing the requisition, Speidel purchasing has less paperwork to handle and actually ends up doing a better buying job.

## Factory Production Orders

Speidel operates four divisions in manufacturing men's and women's jewelry as well as industrial products. Among the important items bought by the purchasing department are precious metals, stainless steel, and non-ferrous metals. Annual purchases range between \$3 million and \$3.5 million.

Instead of using requisitions to buy these materials, Speidel purchasing gets a copy of all factory production orders. The production orders list the number of items to be produced on a particular run, the amount of each item, and the date when the products are to be completed.

When the production orders reach purchasing—usually well in advance of the starting date—P.A. Seavor and his men get to work. First step is to determine what raw materials will be needed.

"Take a gold bracelet for a woman's watch, for example," says Seavor. "Suppose the production order calls for a run of 1000. We have to figure out what materials are needed and then how much.

"Then we have to decide what parts to buy. A single bracelet could use 18 different parts or more—links, springs, and tubing hooks. And each part is often used

many times in one bracelet. But once we know how many parts are used in each item, it's a simple job to figure out what's going to be needed in a large order."

After purchasing has broken down the production order into the raw materials and parts required, the buyers begin placing orders, following conventional purchasing practice.

## System Saves Money

What are the advantages of this "no requisition" system? Mainly a reduction in paperwork. Rather than having to process hundreds of requisitions from various departments in Speidel's four divisions, purchasing has to handle only a few factory production orders. This is a fine example of reversing Parkinson's Law—as it applies to paperwork.

In addition, with the "no requisition system," Speidel gets the

full benefit of P.A. Seavor's knowledge of materials and components, derived from long years of service with the company (He's also a past vice president of the N.A.P.A. for District 9). When Seavor gets a factory order, he can frequently spot places where material substitutions can be made or where new processes can be used. With a requisition it's much harder to make these changes because you can't see the overall production picture as clearly.

## Some Requisitions Used

Of course, Speidel does use requisitions for some items such as MRO supplies. But in the important areas of raw materials and component parts, Speidel purchasing works directly from the production order. P.A. Seavor finds it quicker, easier, and it saves money.



Speidel P.A. Tom Seavor and secretary.

*"I think we actually do a better buying job when we don't use requisitions."*



# A Small Purchasing Department With a Big-Time Look

*In the last 10 years, the purchasing department at Carter's Ink Co. has undergone an amazing transformation. Just by following the book on good purchasing procedures, the department has reached a truly professional level.*

**By Ned Kellogg**

THE PURCHASING department at Carter's Ink Co., Cambridge, Mass., is small (four people), progressive—and a profit maker. Ten years ago, this wasn't the case. The department at that time was definitely on the primitive side.

Much of the credit for the transformation that has taken place goes to Russ Briggs, an alert, aggressive purchasing salesman, who says he got into purchasing "by mistake." Actually it was a case of management's recognizing Briggs' executive potential and tapping him for the job.

## **Not New—But Sound**

Basically what Briggs has done since taking over purchasing at Carter's Ink (it's now more typewriter ribbon and carbon paper than ink) is to put the department on a more organized, more professional level. It can't be said that there is anything startlingly new about the way Carter's Ink buys. Most of the policies and procedures Briggs adopted have their counterparts in other companies where purchasing has come of age. But what is amazing is how dramatically the department has developed in 10 brief years. The details of some of the new-look buying techniques Briggs put through, make a good basic primer for any small company P.A. who is having trouble getting his department to operate the way he thinks it should.



Carter's Ink P. A. Russ Briggs—one of purchasing's best salesmen.

Brigg's forceful approach to the many problems he faced is most apparent in the way he tackled the paperwork maze. "We were reaching the point where we needed files for our files," is the way he puts it.

One of the first problems he went after was followup. The reason: "Because it's the weakest link in almost every purchasing department."

The going wasn't as easy as might have been expected. Briggs made a couple of false starts before he got what he wanted. However, because of his trial and error experience, Briggs rates as a real authority on followup.

He started with a ramble-shamble tub file system. All open orders were placed in the tub and one of the girls was supposed to go through the orders in the bin each day and followup any that needed attention. It didn't

work. It was the kind of job the girls would put off until they had finished everything else. As a result, there were a number of foul-ups.

Then Briggs put in a visible card system with metal flags to signal followup dates. It's a system that works for many purchasing departments, but it didn't satisfy Briggs. "The flags kept falling off and people from other departments would come in and mess up the cards."

## **Foolproof Followup**

Finally he hit on what he calls a foolproof follow-up system. He reverted to the tub file, only this time on a more systematic basis. The tub is split in two sections. One copy of the purchase order (the work copy) is filed by commodity code number (or alphabetically by vendor name if there is no number). A second copy of



the purchase order (the follow-up copy) is placed in a date file—seven days from the date the p.o. was issued. Every day a girl goes through the file for that day and follows up any orders which need action. If there is any problem in matching a vendor acknowledgment with the follow-up copy, this can be easily straightened out by merely checking the commodity file for the work copy of the p.o.

After the vendor acknowledgment has been received, the follow up copy and the acknowledgment are filed together in the date file corresponding to the delivery date. When the delivery date comes due, the order is immediately expedited if delivery has not already been made.

What it boils down to is that every day a girl checks the appropriate date file and takes whatever action is necessary for both acknowledgment and delivery. "It's a fool-proof system," says Briggs.

As another refinement in his follow-up system, Briggs dropped the acknowledgment copy from his purchase order set. Before he did this, he sent a form letter to all his vendors advising them that they would be expected to send their own acknowledgment copy.

### No Phone Calls

One follow-up technique that Briggs learned from experience is to send telegrams rather than making phone calls. "A telegram is almost as fast," says Briggs, "and it gives the vendor time to prepare a definite answer when he calls or wires back. If you telephone, you usually catch the vendor off guard and have to wait while he tries to find out what's going on."

Another improvement Briggs made some time ago was the switch to traveling requisitions. It's standard for the majority of purchasing departments, but it made quite a difference to the Carter operation back in its primitive purchasing days. Incidentally, introduction of the traveling requisition made it possible for Briggs to cut his staff from five to four since it eliminated the job of checking price books.

One more standard purchasing technique Briggs adopted is the blanket order. It's a change that he estimates has cut his paperwork 20%.

What happened is this: Briggs sensed that he was placing too many orders for non-production materials. He made a count of the orders placed with the 25 main suppliers of these items and found that in the course of a year he had issued more than 1000 p.o.'s to these companies.

His next step: a form letter to the 25 vendors informing them that they had been chosen as the chief supply source for certain items for the year. One purchase order was sent to each of the 25 suppliers to cover all purchases for the year. Arrangements were made so that vendors would take orders over the phone.

As in many blanket order systems, Briggs uses the requisition to keep track of purchases made against the blanket order. The requisitioner sends two copies of the requisition to purchasing.



A "foolproof" follow-up system. Purchase orders are filed both by commodity and by follow-up dates. The girl in charge of the file checks the "today" file every day so there's no chance of a slip-up.

Purchasing sends one copy to receiving and enters prices on the other which is later routed to accounting.

### Promotes Purchasing

The various systems Briggs has introduced at Carter's Ink have done a lot to improve the company's purchasing. But probably

that we will be able to make savings of approximately \$1500 in purchases from this new vendor.

5. **New Adhesive Packages.** The second quarter report noted that the Purchasing Department had done much investigation work on a new group of Adhesive products. During the third quarter these packages were approved. The Purchasing Department placed orders for all package parts, some outside packaging and Adhesives in the month of September. By constant attention and follow-up by the Purchasing Department these new items will be available about November 1 as requested by the Marketing Division. Special mention is made of this seemingly routine buying procedure because it was outside of routine in that it was a crash program and required special effort to accomplish the desired results.
6. **Carter Marker Packages.** Three new Carter Marker packages will be marketed early in the fourth quarter due to the special efforts of several of our vendors and the Purchasing Department. This was another crash program requested by Marketing and required special attention to accomplish.
7. **New 104 Ink Glass.** Late in the third quarter the Merchandise Department requested a rush re-design of our 104 Ink package. I made a trip to the Hazel-Atlas Glass Company in West Virginia and to the Armstrong Glass Company in Pennsylvania. Local contact was made with Owens-Illinois Glass. As a result models and prices were made available in approximately 1 1/2 weeks for this new program. It is expected that the re-design will be accomplished early in the fourth quarter with a considerable savings as a result of purchases of the new package.

Purchasing Department and Others

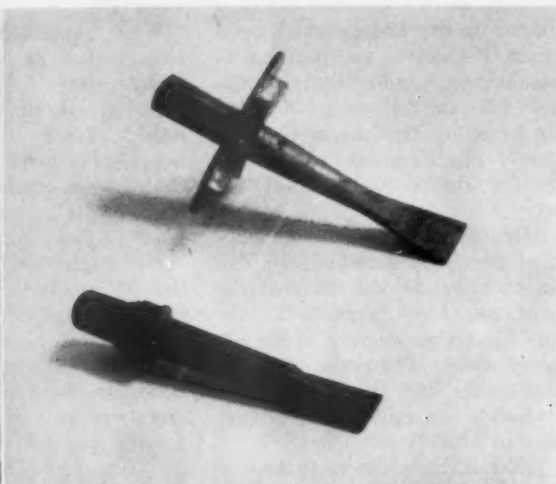
1. **New Ribbon Package.** My report dated August 3, 1956 indicated that work had started on a new Ribbon package expected to save approximately \$35,000 annually in package cost and labor. This proposal has now cleared Purchasing and Engineering and is at present awaiting Marketing go-ahead. Mention is made in this report of this project due to the fact that additional work was done on this new Ribbon package in the third quarter. It is also worthy of note that in view of the sizable savings available to the Company that it be here stated that this project is now held up in the Merchandising Department awaiting decision and action.
2. **One Quart Rubber Cement Cans.** It was pointed out by the Purchasing Department to the Engineering Department

P. A. Briggs never misses a chance to promote purchasing. One technique he uses is a quarterly purchasing report which summarizes the department's achievements.

## Value Analysis in a Small Department



P. A. Briggs: "The money's in the drums."



The difference between rubber and plastic—\$35,000.

A lot of P.A.'s say it can't be done. They claim that value analysis is only for the G.E.'s and the Ford's; that in a small department there just isn't the time or the manpower to work on VA.

But at Carter's Ink Co., the two-man, two-girl purchasing department recently made some important value analysis cost reductions.

It's hard to believe but the photo at the right showing two paste applicators represents a \$35,000-per-year cost reduction. That's what happened when Carter's switched from rubber applicators to plastic and eliminated a separate cap and washer assembly at the same time. The idea resulted from some intensive digging by P.A. Russ Briggs and the cooperation of one of his vendors.

No dollar sign can be placed on the value

analysis cost reduction represented by the photo on the left, but it's substantial. The important item here is the row of chemical drums. Previously Carter's purchased chemicals such as glycerine, in 50 gallon drums. But after analyzing this routine, P.A. Briggs decided to buy the chemicals in bulk and have them pumped into the 50 gallon drums which he keeps on the receiving dock. It's proved to be a lot cheaper than the old method of having the chemicals delivered in drums.

Right now Carter's purchasing is studying the possibility of using plastic bottles instead of glass—mainly because of the freight advantage they would gain. Also in the works is a hush-hush change involving the typewriter ribbons Carter's sells.

It just goes to show . . .

even more important than his systems has been his attitude to his job as a purchasing executive. He promotes purchasing throughout the company every working day. You can sense the way he feels from some of his off-hand comments: "Purchasing is the Grand Central Station of every company. . . . Every day as I come to work I try to figure out

how to make purchasing a little more important in the company's overall operations . . . The purchasing agent who forgets that every time he signs a purchase order he's affecting the whole company, ought to get out."

Just to make certain that there's a permanent record of what purchasing is doing, Briggs makes up a quarterly purchasing report

(see p. 77). "Frankly it's a brag sheet," says Briggs. "But it's in a good cause." Basically what the report does is to present, in condensed form, achievements purchasing has made during the quarter—both on its own and with the help of other departments. So far, Briggs hasn't had much trouble finding things to write about.

# Castings: Buy Value Instead of Weight

UP TO NOW suppliers may have been a little slow in grasping the full meaning and importance of value analysis. But there is a growing trend among vendors (1) to seek participation in the value analysis programs of their customers, and (2) to introduce value concepts to those of their customers who do not have organized value buying programs.

This trend is particularly noticeable among progressive foundries. The approach is to get customers and prospects to analyze every part on the basis of two simple questions: Can this be made as a ferrous casting? Would a ferrous casting give more value than a die casting, a weldment, a forging, an extrusion, a stamping, or a molded plastic part.

Obviously, the design of the part, the function it is to perform, and the conditions to which it is subjected will determine the final choice. No one material or process is ideal, and usually a final choice is a compromise.

Our aim then is to get the castings buyers and users to look on the ferrous casting process in depth and try to determine if it can help them:

## FUNCTIONALLY

- 1) To obtain rapid translation of design into a finished product?
- 2) To produce complex design?
- 3) To obtain metal placement for maximum physical and mechanical properties?
- 4) To improve product appearance and usefulness?
- 5) To produce one integral unit versus numerous parts?
- 6) To obtain dependable service?

## ECONOMICALLY

- 1) To save assembly, material handling, scheduling, machining, welding, and other processing costs?
- 2) To save engineering time?
- 3) To save costs for dies, jigs, and fixtures?

Mr. Gruer is manager of sales and marketing for Carondelet Foundry Company, St. Louis, Mo. His article is based on a talk given to the Purchasing Agents Association of St. Louis.

*To many buyers, castings are so many hunks of metal, to be bought by the pound. But design, materials used, and foundry practices all affect total ultimate cost. Cooperative value analysis by buyer and vendor will pay off in lower costs and better quality.*

By A. W. Gruer, Jr.

- 4) To save in indirect labor and overhead?

## MATERIALLY

- 1) To obtain a wider range of materials, both standard and non-standard?
- 2) To obtain tailor-made materials for special application?
- 3) To use same pattern equipment with some various materials, where shrinkage rule does not vary substantially?
- 4) To facilitate experimentation until proper material can be selected?

Following are a few representative case histories of how extra cost was eliminated and/or extra

value added by analyzing parts in the light of the above questions. The case histories are admittedly limited in scope, yet they show clearly that value analysis very definitely is needed in castings buying—on the part of both the buyer and the foundry. Castings buyers can no longer afford the casual "Quote on 2400 pieces from drawings attached . . ." approach. Increased profits are theirs, if they are willing to pay a price for something other than just raw material or hunks of metal. Their values are in improved design, proper materials, better service, and better foundry practices to give lower ultimate costs.

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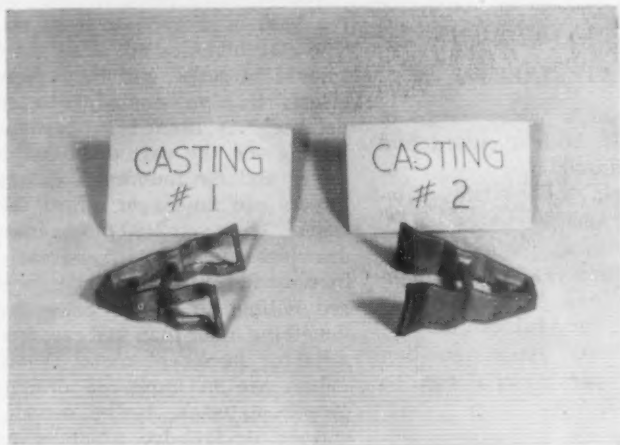
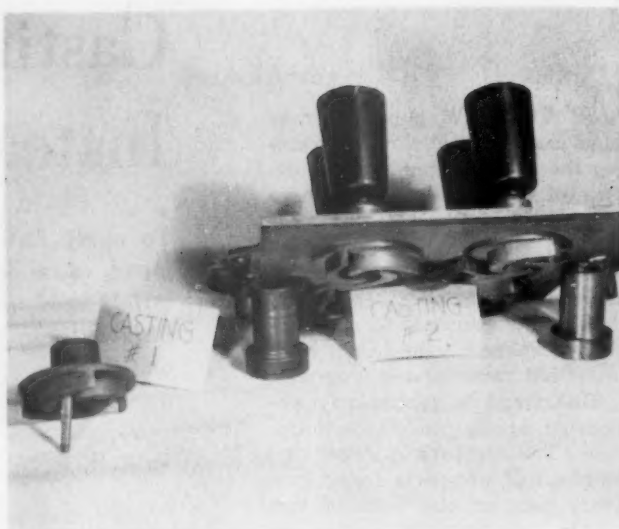
## A CASTING as seen by...



The rather sardonic interpretations of a plain old casting shown above were drawn up especially for Carondelet Foundry Co. The company will be glad to send 10x12" or 11x14" copies to P.A.'s requesting them.

**Savings with better patterns and molding techniques:** Casting No. 1 is molded on a bench with a loose pattern, one per mold, and with the gates and risers cut in the mold. No. 2 is molded on a squeezer with a mounted pattern, four per mold, and with gates and risers part of the pattern equipment.

	CASTING #1	CASTING #2
PATTERN EQUIPMENT:	LOOSE	MOUNTED
MOLDING METHOD:	BENCH	SQUEEZER
PATTERNS PER MOLD:	1	4
EXTRA PATTERN CHARGE:	-----	\$150.00
PRICE PER CASTING:	\$7.30 ea.	\$5.92 ea.
SAVINGS PER CASTING:		\$1.38 ea.



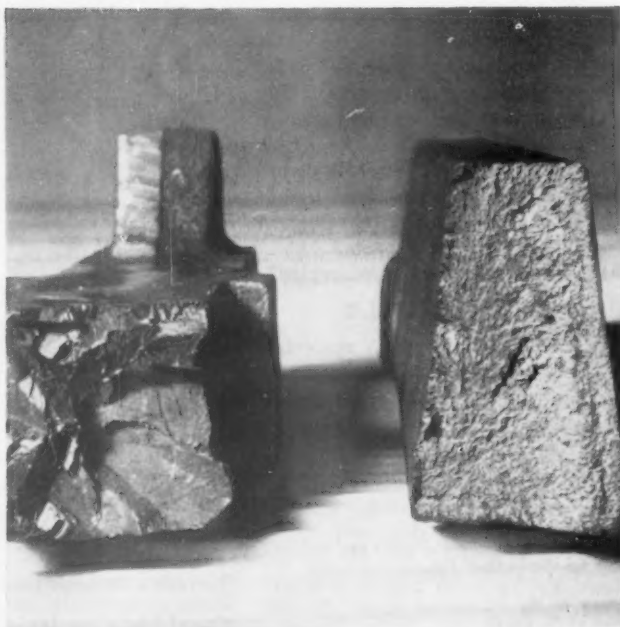
**Savings from re-design:** Casting No. 1, with open area in legs, requires a match plate with four patterns attached, two core boxes, and eight cores. No. 2, which performs the same function without the open areas, requires only a mounted pattern with four patterns attached. (No. 2, incidentally, weighs more but is 14% lower in price).

	CASTING #1	CASTING #2
	(Heat Resistant Alloy)	
MATERIAL:		
WEIGHT:	.75 lbs.	.90 lbs.
PRICE PER CASTING:	\$1.07 ea.	\$0.92 ea.
COST PER POUND:	\$1.29 lb.	\$1.02 lb.

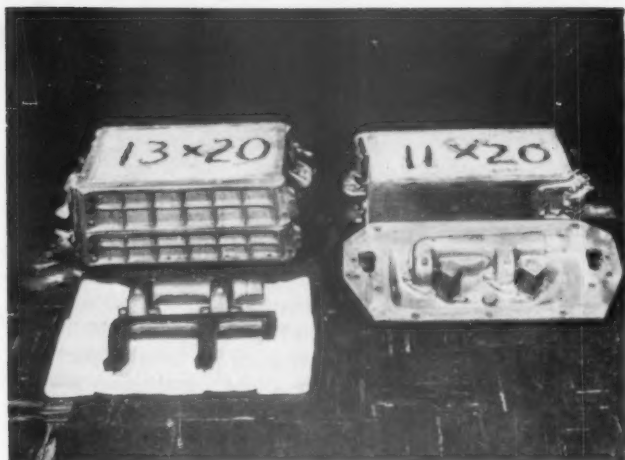
**Savings from close control of material and melting:** Joint analysis and experimentation by foundry and user showed that a finer-grained, higher-priced casting would have a lower ultimate cost than casting being used. The castings are subject to high temperature, oxidation, impact, and abrasion.

	CASTING #1	CASTING #2
MATERIAL:	ACI Type HC	ACI Type HC
GRAIN STRUCTURE:	Coarse	Fine
WEIGHT OF CASTING:	10.0 lbs.	15.75 lbs.
PRICE PER CASTING:	\$3.89 ea. (38.9¢ lb.)	\$7.88 ea. (50.0¢ lb.)
FAILURE:	Breakage and burn out	Eventual burn out
LIFE OF CASTING:	70 weeks	148 weeks
COST PER CASTING PER WK:	\$0.0556	\$0.0532
WITH APPROX. 20,000 BARS IN USE - 148 WK. COST:	\$164,554	\$157,472
SAVINGS FOR 148 WK. PERIOD: (On bars only)	--	\$7,082

In addition, savings realized by longer life in; less maintenance, less shut-down time, less replacement inventory, less indirect labor.







◀ **Savings from change in pattern equipment and size of mold:** The casting at left was molded first in a 13 x 20" mold. By improving the method of gating and risering, the foundry was able to produce sounder castings, reduce rejects and foundry scrap. The pattern size was reduced to work in an 11 x 20" mold.

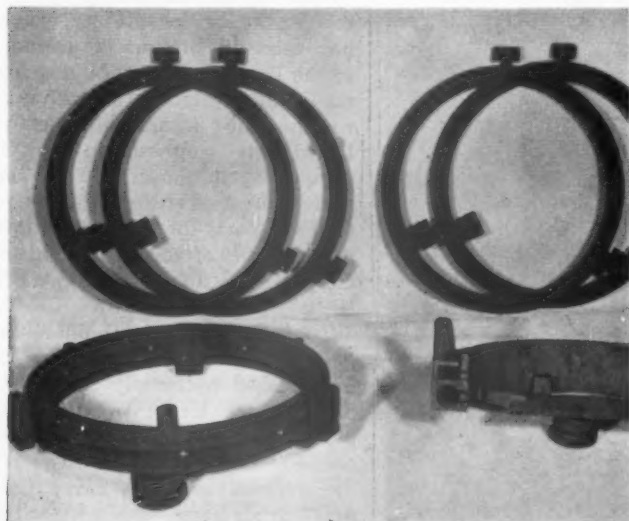
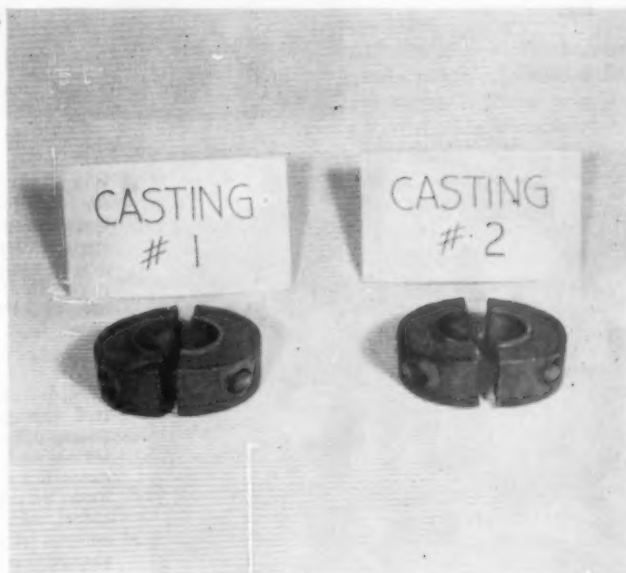
	CASTING #1	CASTING #2
PATTERN SIZE & MOLD SIZE:	13" x 20"	11" x 20"
REDUCTION IN MOLD WEIGHT:	—	-15%
COST TO CHANGE PATTERN:	—	\$80.00
PRICE PER CASTING:	\$7.85 ea.	\$7.26 ea.

On first order for 250 castings at savings of 59¢ each, or total of \$147.50, the pattern cost was more than paid for immediately.

**Savings from change in material:** A switch from gray iron to an abrasion-resistant high alloy boosted the price of this casting for a chain drive from \$.88 to \$2.66 a pair. But the new material has already held up almost three times as long as the old.

	CASTING #1	CASTING #2
MATERIAL:	Gray Iron	Abrasion Resistant Alloy
NUMBER OF CASTINGS USED PER CHAIN DRIVE:	150 pairs	150 pairs
PRICE OF CASTINGS: (150 pairs)	\$0.88 ea. pr. \$132.00	\$2.66 ea. pr. \$399.00
LIFE OF CASTINGS:	Less than 2 yrs.	Still in use after 5 yrs.
MAN HOURS USED TO CHANGE CASTINGS: (150 pairs)	1200 man hours	1200 man hours

With three times the life, the \$267.00 additional expense for the castings is more than offset by the savings in 2400 man hours.



◀ **Savings from service:** This large and intricate burner casting was needed on a seasonal basis. After a month of production, one foundry was unable to meet normal requirements. Another foundry experimented with the casting, regated it, and was able to produce 20 units a day. Customer avoided considerable loss on other materials purchased and assembled waiting for delivery of burners.

Situation: - Needed 300 burners for delivery August through November.

	Foundry #1	Foundry #2
PRICE:	\$9.80 ea.	\$12.00 ea.
GOOD CASTINGS DELIVERED AFTER QUOTATION:	In 24 days 5 castings.	Following first foundry failure; 20 per day, produced after 5 days of experimentation.
EXTRA COSTS:	Welding of mis-runs and chaplet holes.	None

# How Lewyt Handles the

By John Van de Water

Lewyt Manager of Purchasing Alter Hurwitz has found that by knowing production needs it is possible to combine on-time performance with profitable buying.



◀ When specifications for a job have been completed by engineering, bills of materials and requisitions are run off at the same time.

The material control group breaks down bills of materials and consolidates duplicate items on one requisition. Material control sheets and requisition cards on table represent only part of one contract.



**"T**HE PURCHASING manager must be production minded. Only if he knows production's needs can he do a really good purchasing job."

This approach enables Alter Hurwitz and his small department to do a big purchasing job for the Lewyt companies in Long Island City, N.Y. As manager of purchasing, Hurwitz, with one purchasing agent and two buyers, places orders for more than \$20 million worth of materials annually. He also has two assistant buyers and two expeditors who keep track of the 60,000 purchase orders issued each year and maintain the tie-in-with production.

To handle this volume Hurwitz depends on:

- Advance requisitions
- Thorough knowledge of vendor sources
- Complete records of previous purchases
- A good inventory and material control system
- Careful expediting

## High Pressure Purchasing

Purchasing buys for two companies: the Lewyt Corporation, maker of the Lewyt vacuum cleaner; and the Lewyt Manufacturing Corporation, builder of electronic and electro-mechanical equipment for the military which has recently become a division of the Budd Co. Since buying for the vacuum cleaner company is routine once a model is established, the emphasis in Lewyt purchasing is almost entirely on procurement of electrical and mechanical parts for military equipment. Much of this is for Signal Corps installations such as SAGE. It's a fiercely competitive field.

To be a successful bidder—as Lewyt so often is—costs have to be watched extremely carefully. This puts a lot of pressure on purchasing. And adding to the pressure is the fact that many of the defense contracts carry liquidated damage clauses, with

# Small-Staff, Large-Volume Problem

penalties totaling thousands of dollars if schedules aren't met. This makes expediting a priority operation in Lewyt purchasing.

To operate under such difficult conditions, Hurwitz has to scramble to get as much buying time as possible. In line with this, he regularly issues lists of long lead-time items. The lists go to production and engineering so that they will be able to schedule purchased materials with the maximum possible lead time.

As soon as a new contract is started, and well before detailed specifications are ready, Hurwitz receives a list of major items to be purchased. He then contacts vendors and gets preliminary quotations based on temporary specifications and blueprints. Although he cannot make a final commitment at that time he is able to lay the groundwork and gets a pretty good idea which vendor will be able to do the best job at the best price.

Following the preliminary specs "advance" requisitions on the long lead time items are made out by engineering before formal bills of material are ready. These advance requisitions give purchasing all the information it needs to place firm orders.

By the time the "final" requisitions reach purchasing, most of the complex and difficult components are already on order. Standard parts and others available on short notice are all that remain.

## Investigate Vendors

Vendor selection is, of course, extremely important for Lewyt. Suppliers who have already done work for the company and have been approved by the military do not have to be checked out. However, to keep costs down, Hurwitz is constantly on the lookout for new suppliers who can do quality work at a lower price. New vendors get a very thorough investigation. It's time consuming—often involves plant inspections—but

Hurwitz finds it is worth the effort.

Lewyt is protected in dealing with new vendors because samples or prototypes have to be submitted and a purchase order can be cancelled if the samples are not approved. Although no formal vendor rating system is used by purchasing, it gets quality control and inspection reports from the plant.

## Has Information Inventory

To find sources for thousands of special components, Hurwitz has to have excellent purchase information files. A complete record is kept of all previous purchases. This information is filed by type of item and includes part specifications, source, price, quantity and date bought. Although few special components are exact duplicates, there is sufficient similarity to make this information extremely valuable.

This information "inventory" as Hurwitz calls it, also permits purchasing to supply reasonably accurate price information for bidding purposes. By the time Lewyt makes a proposal 95% of the purchased items have been priced by the purchasing department. For parts where no price information is available, estimates are made. "Engineering used to do the price estimating" says Hurwitz, "but they tended to be pretty far off. Now I sit down with them and we guess together."

Hurwitz' close tie-in with production helps this group maintain the inventory and material control system upon which he depends to simplify his purchasing.

Bills of material for large contracts may run into hundreds of pages with as many as 5000 purchased items required. Requisitions are run off simultaneously with the bills of material. These are broken down further by a material control section which also consolidates duplicate items into single requisitions. Shrinkage

experience is added, inventory control notes the stocks on hand and on order, and production scheduling adds the required dates.

For Hurwitz, keeping in touch with production is a two-way street. He not only keeps abreast of the major contracts—"I know the status of every job in the plant," he says—but makes sure that all purchase orders are expedited to the required production schedule.

Each of the expeditors handles one or two major jobs and a few smaller contracts. They post receiving information themselves to keep up with deliveries. Follow-up is done automatically at a given time before the material is due. Shortage sheets from production keep the expediter on his toes when the requirement date comes closer.

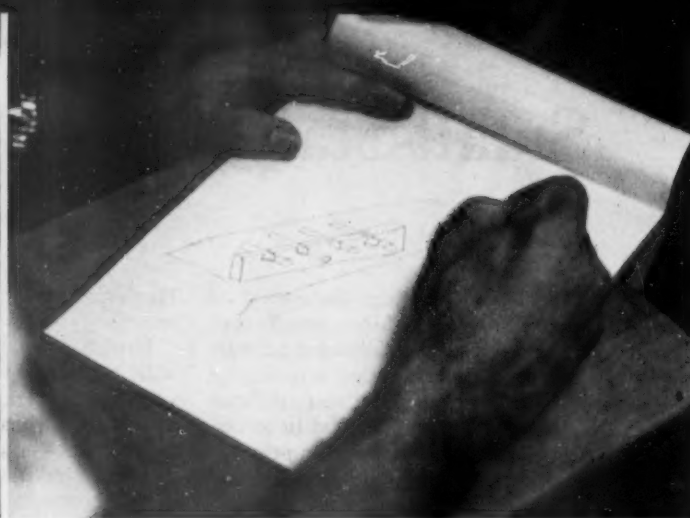
"Mechanical components need little expediting," explains Hurwitz. "Most of them are standard. But electrical items need careful watching. On long-cycle items, where partial shipments are made at regular intervals, we find that the vendor is dependable once you get him started, but you got to make sure that he comes through on time with the first shipment."

On the really tough expediting jobs Hurwitz visits the vendor himself. "You can no longer call that expediting," he says. "It becomes a matter of whom you know—people you have worked with or met socially." He recalls one instance where a personal contact enabled him to reduce a six-month delivery promise to one week.

Hurwitz keeps up his contacts among purchasing people as well as with vendors. He is a member both of the New York Purchasing Agents Association and of the independent Purchasing Agents of the Radio, Television and Electronic Industry. The latter group chose him P.A. of the Month of February 1958.



**THE PROBLEM: CUT NEEDLESS** cost from a fuze holder. The Value Analysis Group Leader shows the part and challenges team members to come up with ideas to get a better product at a lower price.



**ANALYSTS ARE GIVEN FREE REIN**, encouraged to speak up on even the wildest ideas on changes in design, materials, etc. Preliminary sketches are often transferred to the blackboard for discussion.

## Value Analysis Cuts Cost of Army Rockets

*The military has adopted one of industry's most effective cost-reduction weapons with great success. At Redstone Arsenal "brainstorming for value" will save taxpayers close to a million*

**A** RESTLESS crew of question-askers is now stirring around in the middle of the Army's rocket programs.

The unit was formed only six months ago and given a simple mission. "Rockets cost a lot, so let's cut costs," the members were told by Capt. Merle Ashley who heads the program.

Already the government and the taxpayers are receiving dividends from the group, which is officially known as the Value Analysis Office of the Army Rocket Guided Missile Agency Industrial Division. ARGMA, is the production and procurement arm of the Army Ordnance missile command. Its value analysis group is one of several the armed services have established at various installations throughout the country.

In the short time the unit has been at work it has rung up savings close to a quarter of a million dollars. It expects to add at least another million to that total before the end of the year.

Here are some examples of savings that have come out of its brainstorming sessions:

- Substitution of a standard sling for a special on a missile booster will save \$52,000 in a year;
- Simplification of a handle bracket on a rocket container saved \$10,000;
- A switch from kiln-dried wooden skids to air-dried skids saved \$30,000.

### **Pressure Is On Industry**

Members of the value analysis staff know that in today's telescope rocket programs no single

firm can develop and produce a complicated missile system complete with all refinements.

"Modern weapons are developed under great pressure and industry is required to roll them off the production lines in the shortest time feasible," according to Colonel Henry H. Wishart, chief of the far-flung Industrial Division.

"Developing, producing and fielding modern weapons in the shortest time at least cost demands a constant wringing out of cost without affecting quality. This takes sweat, persistence and imagination."

It's the latter ingredients that the value analysis brainstormers supply in their regular sessions.

Where does an idea come from?

"Sometimes it comes sweeping in from a private mental cyclone," Capt. Ashley admits. "Sometimes it takes prolonged and organized assault to break loose a good idea."

"Most of all," he says, "we ask questions. Without impugning anybody's product, we must question everything. That's our job."

"The fact that we have been asked to make sure that the government gets the most out of every dollar is not a reflection on anybody in industry," he insists. It means what we all know but sometimes won't admit: no matter how well you do a job, there's always a better and less expensive way to do it."





**AN IDEA MUST BE** thoroughly discussed, analyzed and agreed on at regular staff sessions. After the value analysis group has approved it, the idea is presented to engineers and contractors.

Chief brainstormer Austen Couch is as quick to point out that the existence of the value analysis group in no way reflects on the technical personnel responsible for the Army's rockets. "Designers and engineers have a built-in fear of failure," he says. We expect it in them. All their life, in school and since, they have been taught fear of failure. Their job is to come up with a rocket that shoots straight and hits the target. Naturally, to ward off failure, they use the very finest materials and most reliable processes known to them."

"Sometimes only the best material will do the job," Couch says. "If a gold plated tail fin is the only thing that will work when a new missile is designed, well okay. But that doesn't mean you have to use gold plate forever, if something else will do just as well at lower cost."

The Value Analysis Office occupies a big room filled with a few desks and tables near AOMC Headquarters at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. The team meets regularly for organized brainstorming sessions, and occasionally in groups of two or three as the progress of various projects demands. Couch will present a problem to them and try to pick their brains.

Only a few days ago Couch stood before the blackboard and outlined a simple problem.

For some reason (maybe a very

good one; they don't know yet), an expensive, machined gadget had been designed to hold spare fuzes.

"The only fuze holder I ever heard of is the one under the dashboard of my automobile that holds an extra fuze," Couch told the group around the table.

"The particular fuze holder is for use in an electronics van and for maintenance reasons it has to hold 37 fuzes. But does it have to cost a lot?"

Couch passed on the problem to a group of relaxed men and women, military and civilian, officers and enlisted men, all sitting around a big table in a quiet room. Coffee was on the house.

Couch challenged them:

"We've got an electronics van. On the wall is a gadget that holds 37 fuzes. It has to hold 37 fuzes as a back-up to any conceivable emergency repairs. The gadget has to be good, but does it have to be made of expensive metals, that is, machined to close tolerances?"

"What's your solution?"

The answers, as they always do, came a little slow at first, then everybody around the table got into the act. They could hardly wait to speak up, or run up to the blackboard with a piece of chalk.

The brainstormers didn't reach a final decision that afternoon about those 37 fuzes. But they spouted ideas ranging from to "put 'em in a box," to "stick 'em

on the wall with adhesive", to "what's wrong with a plastic holder?" As usual, out of the welter of ideas, will come a workable, economical solution that will satisfy everybody . . . that is, until value analysis takes another look at it.

### **Analysts Must Sell Ideas**

But the analysts don't spend all their time in the office. Much of it is spent on the road. They're often out on production lines, visiting suppliers and other Army plants, selling new cost-saving ideas they've developed in their formal sessions.

"In our trips around the country," Capt. Ashley says, "we try to persuade. What we try to do as production specialists is to hand over an idea that has been knocked around, turned inside out, and orbited over the lot—and still holds up. When an idea comes out of that process and still looks like a surefire money-saver how can anyone turn it down? They can't."

One contractor had designed and was producing a lifting ring attached to a missile container. To make the ring, special tools and materials were required. It was a good lifting ring. The only hitch was that there were already a hundred rings on the market that would do the same thing for less money, including one ring used by a casket maker.

In another plant, the yoke used to handle a rocket was simplified, at the suggestion of the Value Analysis Office, saving some \$26,000.

In the case of materials again, some manufacturers from force of habit, might design a highly-machined, many-threaded missile component made of brass. But by taking another look, they find the same item can be made of less costly material, with much wider tolerances, and fewer threads . . . and still do the job.

"A lot of savings can be made in processing materials," Ashley points out. "Metal can be stamped, forged, cast, extruded, rolled, spun, poured, plated and splashed. It doesn't have to be hand-machined in an air-conditioned shop on a 20-ton lathe."

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# When Are Suppliers Guilty Of Breaking Antitrust Laws?

By Albert Woodruff Gray

FROM CHARGES of antitrust violations made before a federal court by the purchaser of plastic material, a manufacturer of chemical products asked that references to the price structure of the basic ingredient of this plastic material be stricken from the controversy.

The chemical manufacturer maintained that the plastic producer had never dealt in this basic ingredient and that it in no way featured in his complaint.

In the action however, it had been alleged that the chemical manufacturer in the production and sale of acrylic sheet, had violated the federal antitrust laws. Since 1950, it was asserted, this chemical manufacturer had produced and sold approximately 70% of acrylic sheet ingredients and the remaining 30% of the market had been sold by another chemical manufacturer.

The only other producers of this ingredient were an English and a German firm who exported very little of the chemical. By 1953 the U. S. manufacturer of this chemical was producing 80% of the nation's supply. More recently it has been the source of 99% of the country's production.

## Forced Out of Competition

The plastic producer contended that it had been forced out of competition in the acrylic sheet field by the manufacturer. It based this claim on one of two reasons:

(1) The price of the major ingredient from which this competitive product, acrylic sheet, is produced, had been maintained by the manufacturer at an arti-

ficially high level by keeping the price of the basic ingredient high. Or (2): The price of the product had been kept at an artificially low level and the basic ingredient at a considerably higher level.

The chemical manufacturer contended that references to the ingredient should be stricken out on the ground that the complaining competitor had never purchased, used or sold the product or attempted to do so.

"The contention," said the court in its denial of this application, "that all reference to this chemical ingredient was irrelevant fails to give credit to the structure of the charge. One of the central links is the fact that the company charges itself less for this basic ingredient from which the cast sheet is manufactured, than it charges other manufacturers."

There is an interesting contrast in this action, in which the market of this essential ingredient is substantially under the control of the manufacturer, and the action involving the cellophane market re-

cently before the United States Supreme Court.

In the cellophane case, the federal government charged a manufacturer "with monopolizing or attempting to monopolize commerce in cellophane and cellulosic caps and bands."

## What Is a Monopoly?

In its acquittal of the cellophane manufacturer of violations of the antimonopoly laws, the Supreme Court introduced into the controversy what is bound to be a determining factor in future instances of this character.

Difficulties of interpretation have arisen in the application of the Sherman Act, the court asserted in its decision, in view of the technical changes in the production of commodities and the new distribution practices. Of the Sherman Antitrust Act itself, the court said that the only statutory language pertinent to this situation was that, "Every person who shall monopolize \* \* \* shall be deemed guilty \* \* \*."



"You're right! We do have high prices—poor deliveries—and a monopoly!!"

It has been pointed out, the court continued, that monopoly is a grant by the sovereign to any person for the sale, making or handling of anything so that others were restrained or hindered in their lawful trade. Here, as in England, it came to be recognized that acts bringing the evils of authorized monopoly—unduly diminishing competition and enhancing prices—were undesirable and were declared illegal.

Our cases determine that a party has monopoly power if it has over "any part of the trade or commerce among the several states" a power of controlling prices or unreasonably restricting competition.

The court added that where there are market alternatives that buyers may readily use for their purposes, illegal monopoly does not exist, merely because the product said to be monopolized differs from others.

If it were not so only physically identical products would be a part of the market. The varying circumstances of each case determine the result. In construing what is a relevant market for determining the control of price and competition, no more definite rule can be declared than that commodities reasonably interchangeable by consumers for the same purpose make up that part of the trade of commerce, monopolization of which may be illegal.

"Industry activities cannot be confined to trim categories. Illegal monopolies under the statute," said the court, "may well exist over limited products in narrow fields where competition is limited. In determining the market under the Sherman Act it is the use or uses to which the commodity is put that control."

"The selling price between commodities with similar uses and different characteristics may vary so that the cheaper product can drive out the more expensive. Or the superior quality of higher priced articles may make them the more desirable."

In its conclusion to this interpretation of the antitrust statute there was added the comment, "The 'market' which one must study to determine when the pro-

ducer has monopoly power, will vary with the part of commerce under consideration. The tests are constant. That market is composed of products that have reasonable interchangeability for the purposes for which they are produced—price, use and qualities considered.

"While the application of the tests remains uncertain, it seems to us that this manufacturer should not be found to monopolize cellophane when that product has the competition and interchangeability with other wrappings."

#### How Cases Differed

In this case there were substitutes for cellophane wrappings. But in the suit involving the price squeeze on acrylic sheet ingredient, there was no substitute. Of its source, 99% in this country was controlled and owned by one manufacturer.

In its defense, the chemical company argued that the charges made were futile without an unlawful monopoly of the basic ingredient.

To this assertion of the manufacturer the court's reply was that this incident was "on all fours" with the famous action of the United States against the Aluminum Company of America.

During the early years of this century Alcoa was the sole producer of virgin ingot aluminum in the United States. In 1912 the output of this product by "Alcoa" was 91% of the total of virgin ingot available for sale in the United States. During the next twenty five years the average proportion was over 80% and for the period from 1934 to 1938, 90%.

Of the effect of a monopoly of this sort and of a salvageable

product, the federal appellate court said, "In the case of a monopoly of any commodity which does not disappear in use and which can be salvaged the supply seeking sale at any moment will be made up of two components: (1) the part which the putative monopolist can immediately produce and sell; and (2) the part which has been or can be reclaimed out of what he has produced and sold in the past."

"By hypothesis he presently controls the first of these components; the second he has controlled in the past although he no longer does. During the period when he did control the second, if he was aware of his interest, he was guided, not alone by its effect at that time on the market, but by his knowledge that some part of it was likely to be reclaimed and seek future market. That consideration will to some extent always affect his production."

"Thus in the case at bar Alcoa always knew that the future supply of ingot would be made up in part of what it produced at the time and, if it was as farsighted as it proclaims itself, that consideration must have had its share in determining how much to produce."

"How accurately it could forecast the effect of present production upon the future market is another matter. Experience no doubt would help. But it makes no difference that it had to guess. It is enough that it had an inducement to make the best guess it could and that it would regulate that part of the future supply so far as it should turn out it had guessed right."

This secondary feature of competition, the salvageable material, the court pointed out, was as much within this company's control as was the production of the virgin aluminum ingots themselves.

#### The Government's Claim

The government's claim was that Alcoa had consistently sold aluminum ingot at so high a price that the sheet rollers who were forced to buy from it could not

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### New Metal Working Tools "Machine" With Electric Sparks

A LINE of machine tools specifically designed for electrical discharge machining has been announced by the Cincinnati Milling Machine Company. The new Electrojet line consists of 33 tools which can be built up from 16 basic units, many of which are completely interchangeable.

Electrical discharge—or electro-spark—machining is based on the eroding effect of high-energy sparks on metal. When these sparks are made to jump between an electrode and the workpiece under controlled conditions, the shape of the electrode is duplicated in the workpiece. The electrode surface also wears away but at a much lower rate. Depending on the nature of the work, sparks occur at rates from 10,000

to 250,000 times per second. To achieve rapid quenching and to wash away the debris, the machining is done submerged in a tank filled with a dielectric fluid.

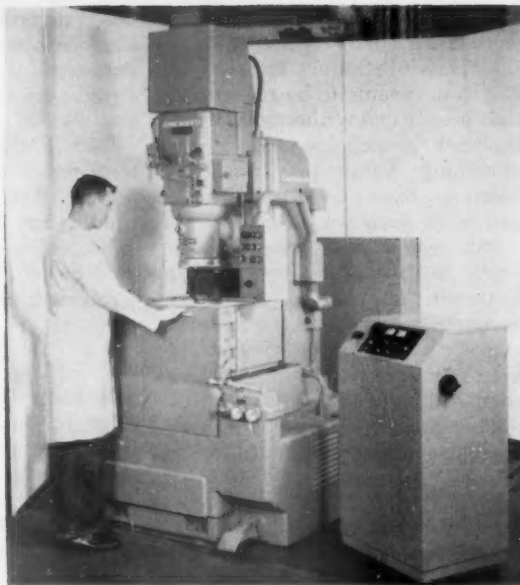
The manufacturer states its machines are not intended to supersede conventional diesinking equipment but are especially suited to shape materials that are too hard or too brittle to machine by any other means. The new method also opens up the field for producing holes with other than circular cross sections and is well-suited for those jobs where the distortion, burring, or differential

heating caused by conventional machining is a problem.

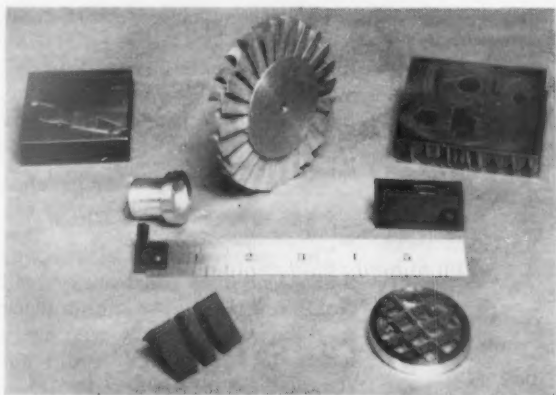
The basic Electrojet line consists of a single base and column on which four interchangeable workheads and four different base-tank units may be mounted. The choices of workheads are:

- Non-rotating—for operations such as die sinking in which the desired shape is produced by the vertical feed of a formed electrode
- Rotating—for circular applications at an increased rate of stock removal; spindle rotation can be stopped and quill feed used alone.
- Universal—eccentric or planetary rotation of the spindle is possible in addition to quill feed and rotation.
- Ram-type—for extra large plunging cuts where the cavity has a large surface area.

Each of these workheads may be matched with any of four tanks for holding the dielectric fluid. Power supplies of 20, 40, 60 and 100 amps are available. The line also includes two electrospark grinding machines and a heavy-duty diesinking machine for work on blocks up to 18" thick.



Electrospark diesinking is practically noiseless. Both part and electrode are submerged in an oil bath.



A sample of some typical parts machined by electrical discharge tools.



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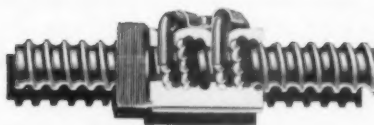
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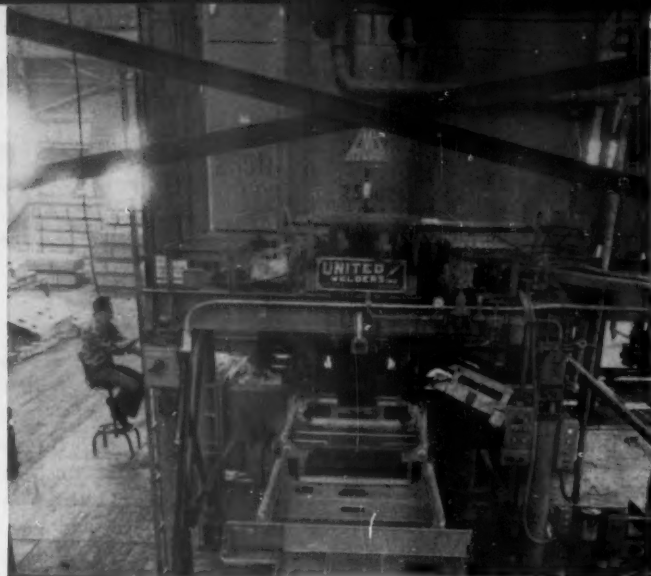
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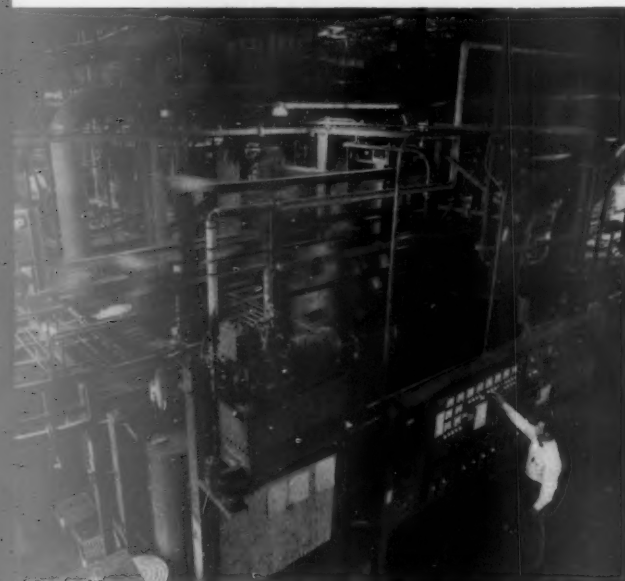
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**1. Initial stamping.** This 850-ton press in the range plant at GE's Appliance Park, turns out range bodies (flat) at the rate of 300 an hour. Used in the press are Gulfcrown® Grease, a Gulf E.P. Lubricant and Gulf Harmony® oil.



**2. Welding and forming.** After leaving the press, the flats are assembled in an automatic welder-former (background) and proceed on a fully automated line that has over 400 lubrication points, all serviced with six Gulf lubricants.



**5. High speed plating.** Hydraulic system in foreground provides power to move plated components (such as broiler trays) through plating tanks. Gulf Harmony is the power medium in this and other such plant systems.



**6. Completed ranges.** Operator tests a removable oven door on a GE range moving along the free standing assembly line. More than 1,600 of these units are turned out daily at GE's Appliance Park.

## Large electric range plant meets complex lubrication

# GULF MAKES THINGS

"We turn out more than 1,600 ranges a day in a highly mechanical plant that has thousands of lubrication points. Up until 4 years ago we had the problem of too many lubricants—dozens of them—that had been purchased for specific machines and applications. Each served its purpose well, but handling was complicated.

"A Gulf Engineer—after a comprehensive survey of our lubrication problems—helped us reduce our plant lubricants from dozens down to a total of only six Gulf

oils and greases—and helped us set up lubrication schedules that pay off in greater efficiency."

That's the word from W. G. Montgomery, Superintendent of Building, Tools and Equipment in the Range Department of General Electric's huge Appliance Park near Louisville, Kentucky.

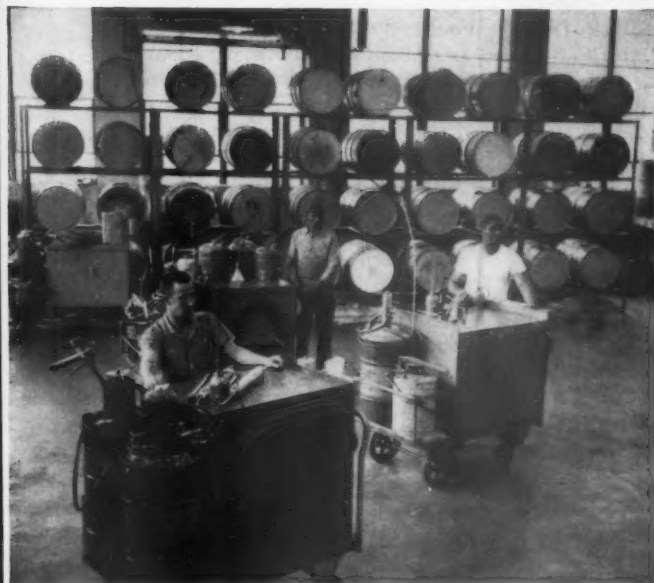
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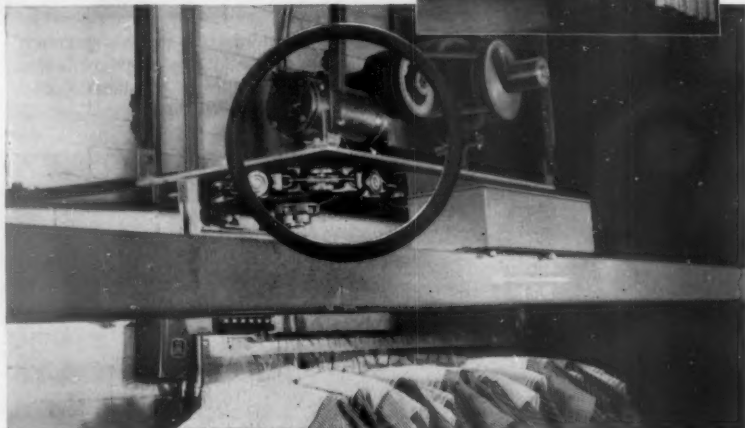
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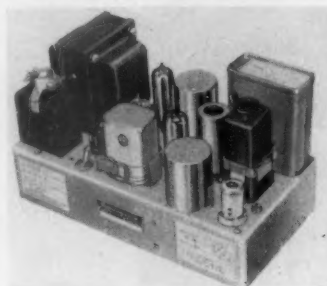
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## Products

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### Heavy-Duty Drills for Super Alloys



New heavy-duty jobbers length drills are designed for drilling aircraft and missile super alloys and high strength steels. They work efficiently at high temperatures and can be used with either stationery or portable drilling units. Drills are made from 8% cobalt high speed steel with a high vanadium content. Their short flutes give maximum rigidity, and special point design provides good penetration and thrust reduction. **National Twist Drill & Tool Co., Rochester, Mich.**

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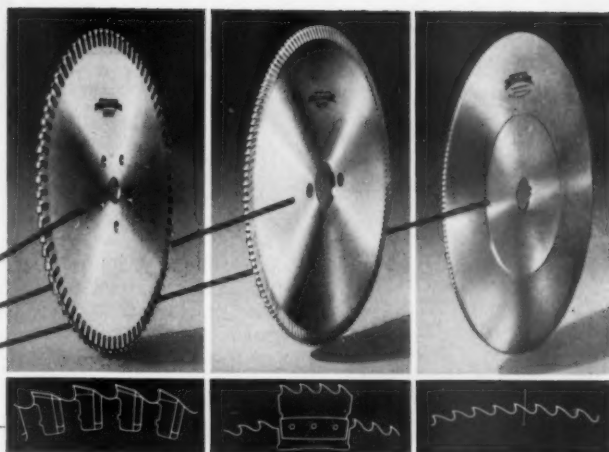
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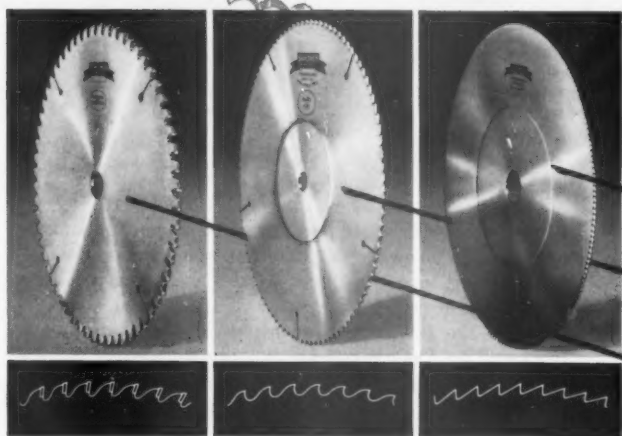
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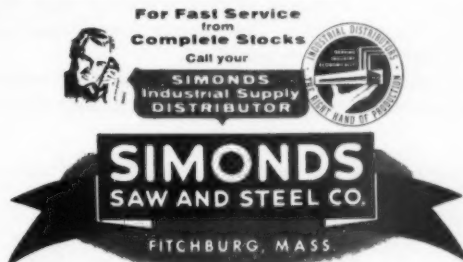
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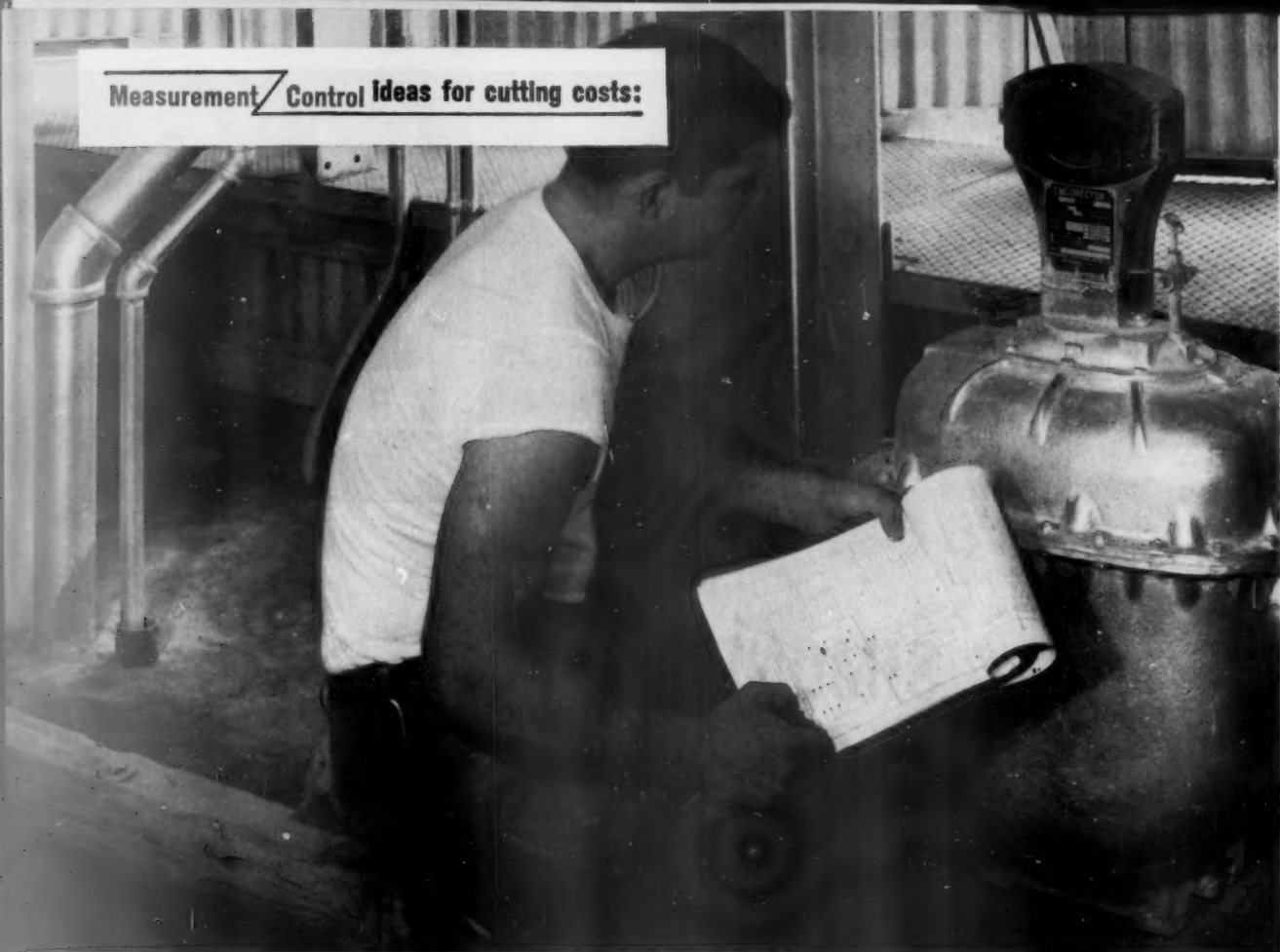
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**Measurement / Control Ideas for cutting costs:**



## Couldn't "in-plant metering" HELP YOU CUT COSTS TOO?

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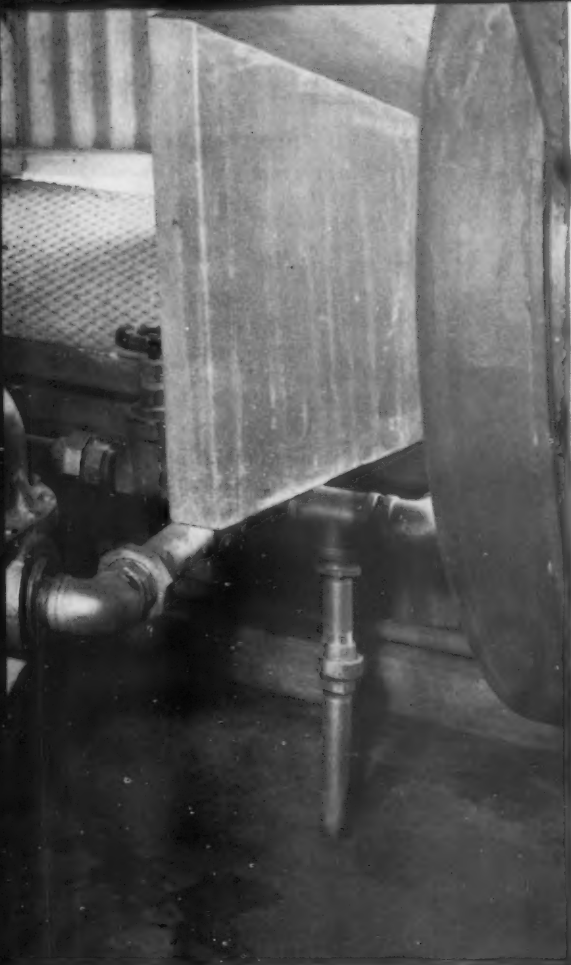
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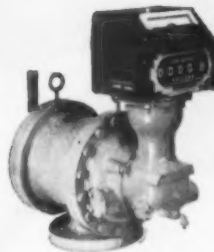
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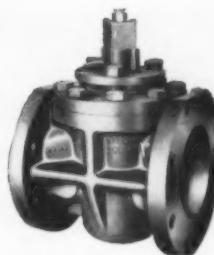
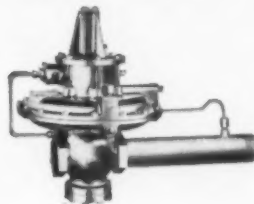
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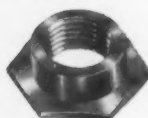
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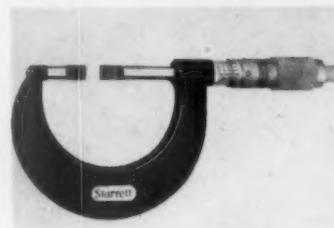
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### New Line of Large Induction Motors



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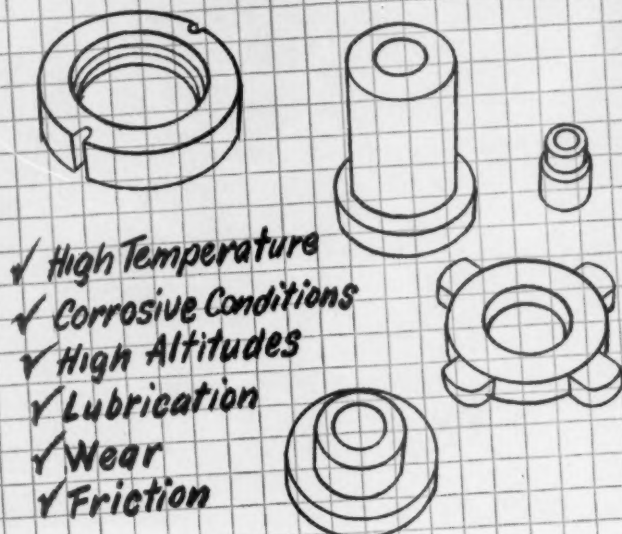
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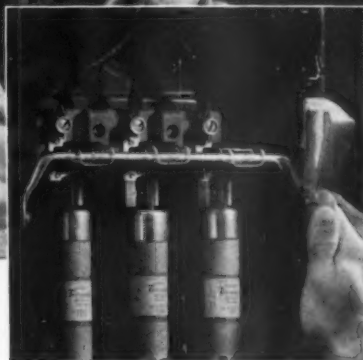
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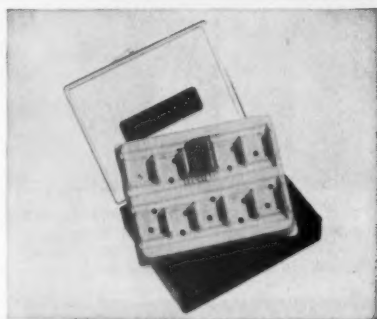


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### **Stronger, Lighter Insulating Firebricks**

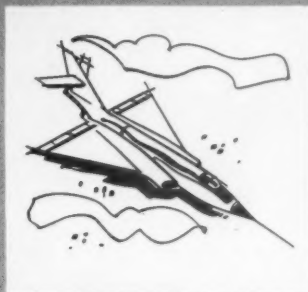
An improved insulating firebrick is stronger, lighter and lower in thermal conductivity. Firebrick was engineered to meet requirements of furnace builders and operators in the metals, structural clay, petroleum, chemical and glass industries. Mechanical strength of the refractory has been increased by more than 50% for one firebrick and 65% for a second. One weighs only 1.70 lbs. per 9 in. straight, the other 1.85. Both offer better mortar bonding and resistance to gas erosion. Babcock & Wilcox, 161 E. 42nd St., New York, N.Y.

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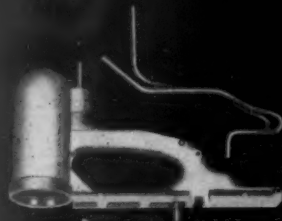
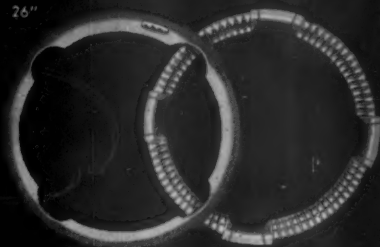


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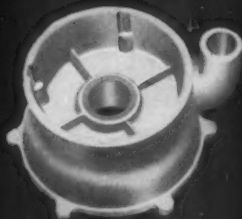
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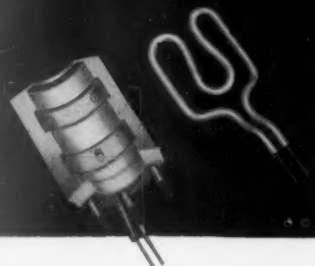


A Semi-Permanent Mold Casting. Aut. Nail Driving Housing with cast-in copper tube assembly.

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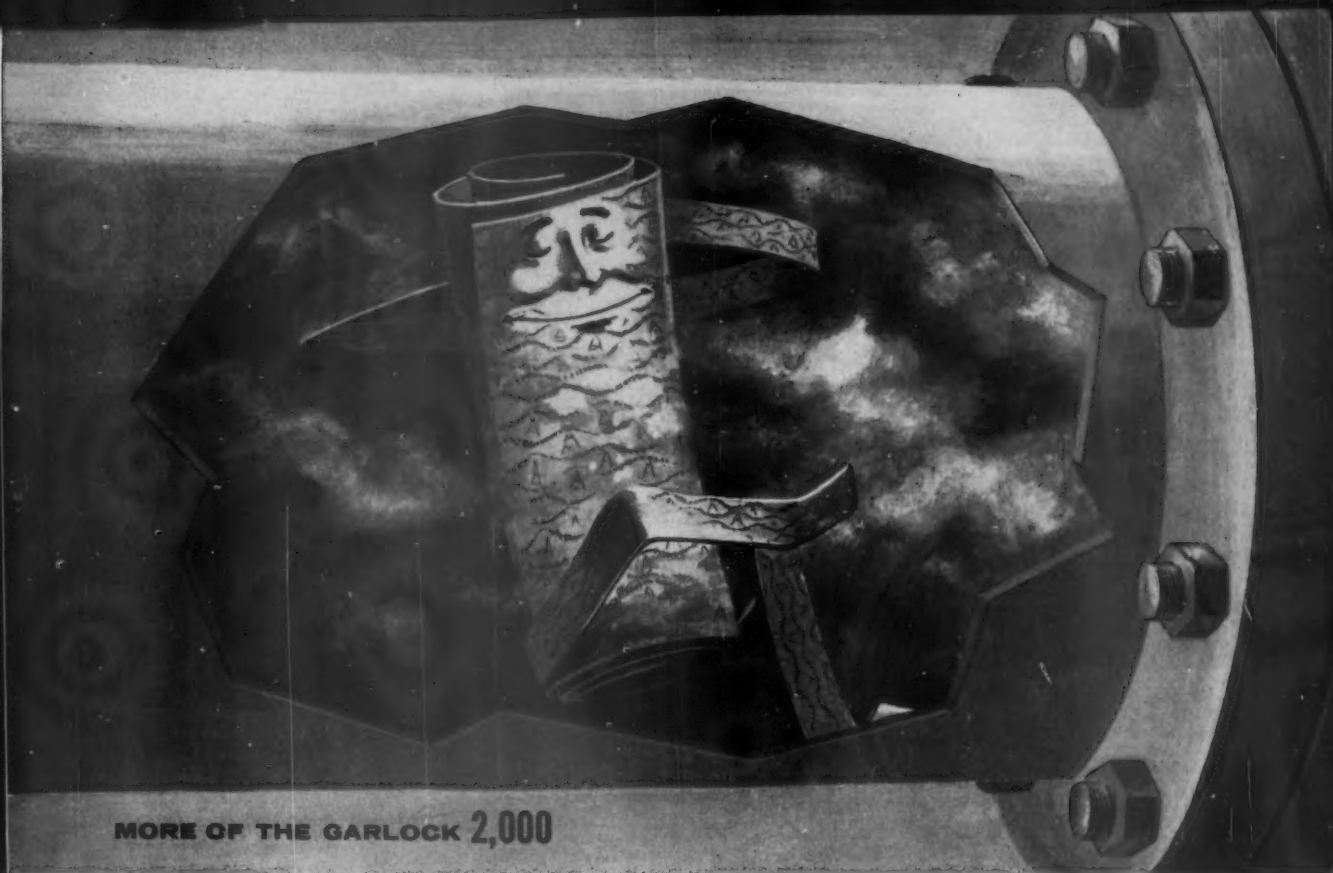
### Comparator Tilts for More Accurate Reading



A new wide-range comparator tilts for more accurate reading.

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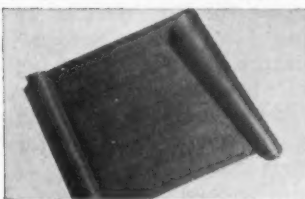


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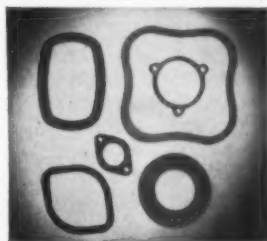
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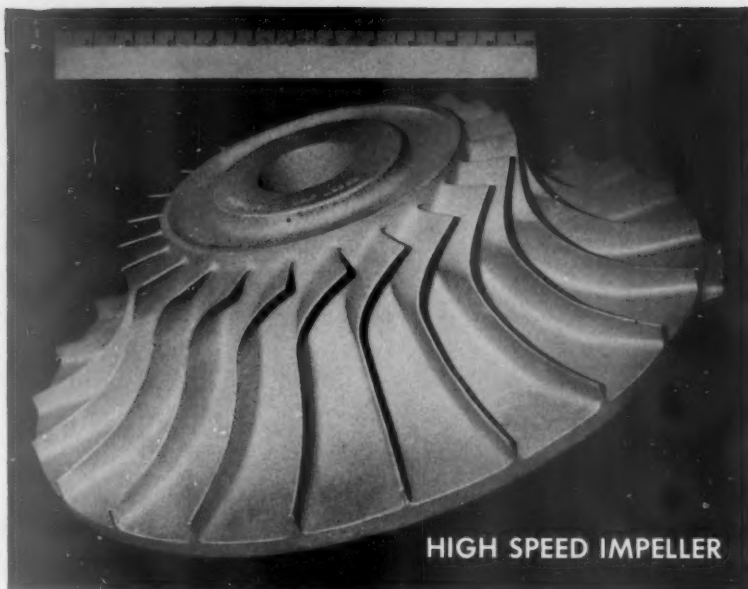
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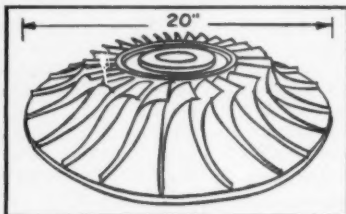


## CONVERSION TO STEEL CASTINGS EFFECTED SAVINGS OF OVER 50%!

HERE'S HOW ONE MANUFACTURER SAVED OVER 50% IN PRODUCTION COSTS  
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This Third Stage High-Speed Impeller was produced for the Carrier Corporation, Syracuse, New York. The Impeller was originally designed and manufactured as a forging, with the curved blades welded in place. Mechanical properties were good, but production costs extremely high.

Lebanon's Foundry Engineering Service solved the problem by producing the Impeller as a one piece steel casting in a unique combination of the CERAMICAST Process and other precision methods. It is now cast of Circle L 205, Grade A1-ASTM No. A-148-55, Grade 105-85. The use of a Lebanon Steel Casting has effected savings of over 50% while maintaining equal mechanical properties. During tests the Impeller attains a speed of over 12,500 rpm—held for 30 minutes.



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New model features a cast aluminum base with an angle support that may be folded out to tilt the whole unit 20 degrees upward from the horizontal. This gives straight-on, comfortable viewing of dial indicator and permits greater reading accuracy. Unit is best suited to on-the-spot checking in laboratory or shop. It can also be mounted easily on a bench for production line inspection. Larger frame permits greater rigidity and measuring capacity. **Petz-Emery, Inc., Pleasant Valley, N.Y.**

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### "Twin" Circuit Breaker Load Centers



Two new "twin" circuit breaker load centers provide a safe method of combining simple- and three-phase branch circuits in the same load center. New devices incorporate a unique lug and single breaker stab unit physically isolated from the main bussing. This unit is used for connecting "high" leg of a 3-phase, 4-wire delta system. Breaker handle knockouts are so arranged that only single-handle, 240-volt breakers can be connected to high leg phase. As additional safety feature 3-phase breaker can be locked in "off" position. **General Electric, Plainville, Conn.**

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# *a new concept in motor protection!*

## **GET TOTALLY ENCLOSED PROTECTION AT LESS COST WITH STERLICONE MULTI-SHIELDED DRIP-PROOF MOTORS!**

*STERLICONE* MULTI-SHIELDED Motors, an exclusive development of Sterling Electric Motors, Inc., now make it possible to use drip-proof motors with full overload characteristics on many demanding applications...such as food processing, chemical, oil well pumping, and others involving corrosion, salt spray or similar atmospheric conditions that previously required TEFC protection.

### **STERLICONE MULTI-SHIELDED MOTORS — SHIELDED 5 IMPORTANT WAYS!**

♥ Flexible insulation is achieved by multiple application and controlled processing of a special silicone sealing compound to provide such a greater degree of environmental protection that these motors can be used for applications involving excessive moisture, salt spray, oils, most chemicals, corrosive agents or dust. Forming a smooth, flexible coil encasement, this insulation is permanently resilient, with high dielectric strength; it does not become brittle like other protective materials.

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♥ Neoprene insulation shields all motor leads.

♥ Neoprene gaskets and diaphragm seal terminal box against virtually all atmospheric hazards. Terminal box rotates 360° for easy access.

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**AUTOMATED GRANODINE 663**—the industry's first—takes the human element out of quality control... replaces it with 100 percent electronic line control, every hour of every day! You get positive, electronic vigilance on the line that adds up to savings in time, labor and chemicals—yet overall coating uniformity and quality never varies!

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Write for Bulletin 1698 on Granodine 663—contains eye-opening quality control data that will interest your company's financial experts!



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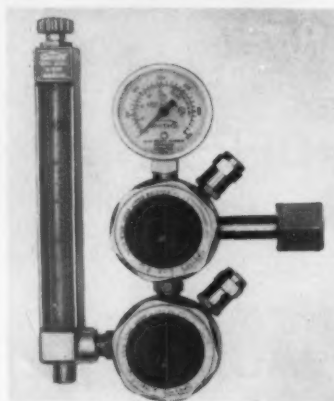
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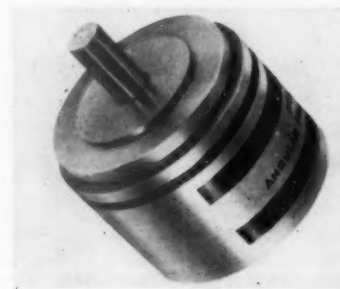
### Flow Meter Regulators Save Argon and Helium



New flow meter regulators accurately measure argon and helium used in shielded inert gas welding processes. Gas-saving design combines two-stage regulators with separate direct-reading flow meters. Compensated for back pressure, flow meters are accurate within 2% of the full scale reading. Bodies of flow meters are forged aluminum alloy; meter tubes are stress-relieved Pyrex. Flow range for argon meter is 60 scfh, and for helium meter 200 scfh. **Smith Welding Equipment Corp., 2633 Fourth St., S.E., Minneapolis 14, Minn.**

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### Miniature Angular Position Transducer



A new miniature angular position transducer utilizes the principle of variable reluctance to provide a means of obtaining an a-c output as a function of shaft rotation. Transducers are primarily designed for use in high accuracy,

high performance servo systems for the continuous measurement and remote indications of rotary components such as control surfaces of aircraft or missiles, valves and scanners. Instrument is housed in a standard No. 15 servo mount frame. **Bourns, Inc., P.O. Box 2112, Riverside, Calif.**

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### Power Chucking Unit for Screw Machines



A new power chucking unit makes it possible to convert Models 2 and 2G Brown & Sharpe automatic screw machines to air chucking. By addition of this unit, cold drawn and odd shaped parts can be chucked at higher speeds and less cost. Unit consists of 4 in. air chuck with two or three jaws, soft blank work-holding top jaws, a threaded draw bar, a rotating air cylinder, flexible air hose and fittings, a cylinder adapter, and 3-way control valve. Installation time is 90 minutes. **Skinner Chuck Company, New Britain, Conn.**

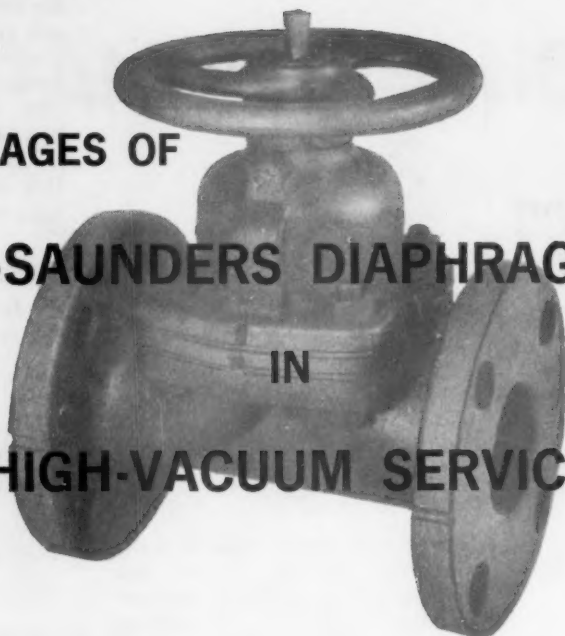
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### Quiet, Small Size Dry-Type Transformers



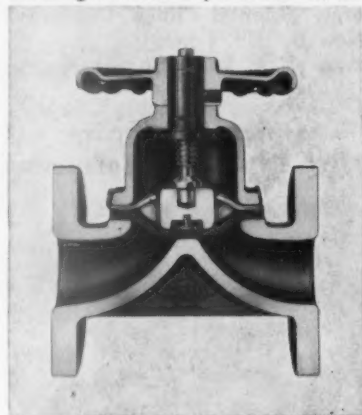
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# THE ADVANTAGES OF GRINNELL-SAUNDERS DIAPHRAGM VALVES IN HIGH-VACUUM SERVICE



**Dependable performance and long service life for vacuums down to 0.1 micron . . . with leak rates of less than 0.1 micron cubic foot/hour**

One of the most important requirements of valves for high-vacuum service is that they must be vacuum-tight at all times during their operating cycle. Diaphragm valves of the Grinnell-Saunders manufacture fully meet this requirement. When clamped between the flanges of the body and bonnet, the

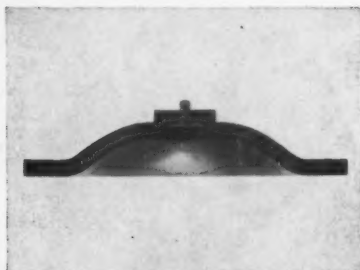


Valve provides vacuum-tight seal in closed position

diaphragm is easily made vacuum-tight down to 0.1 micron — with an in-leakage rate of less than 0.1 micron cubic foot/hour. Whether in the open, throttling or closed position, the diaphragm presents a smooth, unbroken face to the vacuum side of the chamber.

#### **Rugged, nylon-reinforced diaphragms in a variety of materials**

Grinnell has perfected a method of reinforcing its diaphragms with wear-resistant nylon. The result is a diaphragm that lasts longer at high-vacuum. The only part of the valve subject to service wear at any time is the diaphragm — which can easily be replaced in a matter of minutes, without removing the valve body from the system. Diaphragms are available in a wide choice of materials.



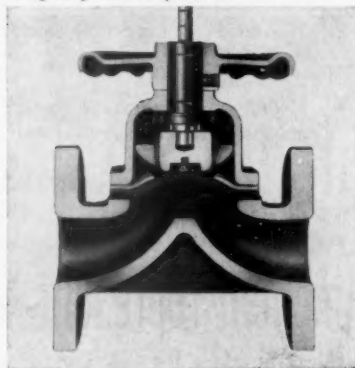
Rugged, reinforced nylon diaphragm gives long-lasting life

#### **Contamination minimized**

Construction of Grinnell-Saunders Diaphragm Valves provides separation of the working mechanism from the vacuum within the system. This isolation of lubricated working parts prevents contamination of the system from lubricant outgassing.

#### **Large, unimpeded valve passage**

The large passage of the Grinnell valve, in the open position, offers minimum impedance to the escape of random moving molecules in pumping down to high-vacuum, thus shortening the pump-down cycle.



In open position, valve passage is free and unimpeded

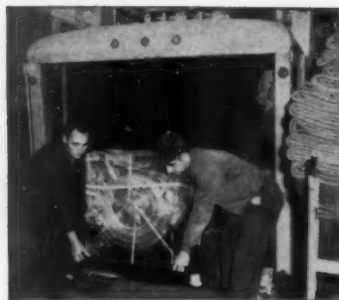
#### **Special provisions:**

Sealed bonnets are available for evacuation when required. Elastomer type diaphragms do not require evacuation of the bonnet. Valves with plastic diaphragms, used at elevated temperatures, do require evacuation of the bonnet for long diaphragm service life.

#### **For more information**

Get further facts about Grinnell-Saunders Diaphragm Valves. Learn how the diaphragm lifts high for streamline flow in either direction . . . and how the diaphragm seals firmly against the body weir for leak-tight closure. Write to: — Grinnell Company, Providence 1, Rhode Island.





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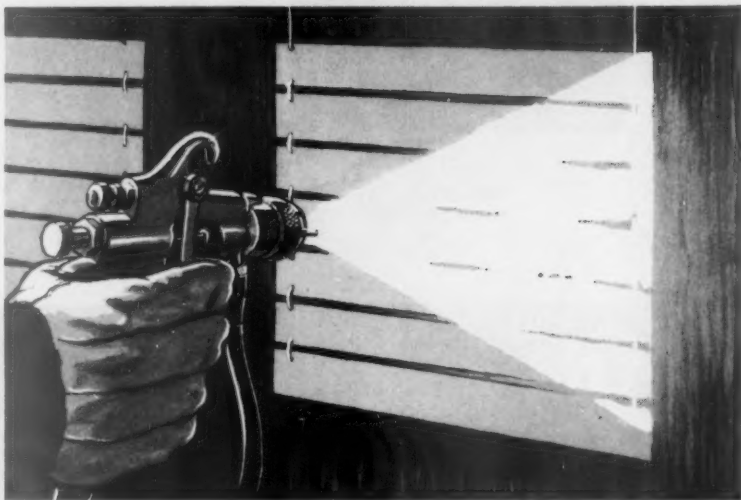
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## Oakite curtain water treatment takes the "tack" out of overspray

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*it PAYS to ask Oakite*



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A new line of dry-type distribution transformers features quiet operation and small size. Lightweight transformers are built in single-phase ratings 1 through 10 kva, 600 volts and below. The wound-core Form W element is placed in steel enclosure and completely covered with liquid epoxy resin to which filler and catalyst have been added. Resin hardens into block of insulating material solidly encasing the core and coil assembly, deadening sound and protecting it from dust, moisture and corrosive fumes. **Wagner Electric Corp., 6400 Plymouth Ave., St. Louis 14, Mo.**

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## Large Base Air-Powered Router



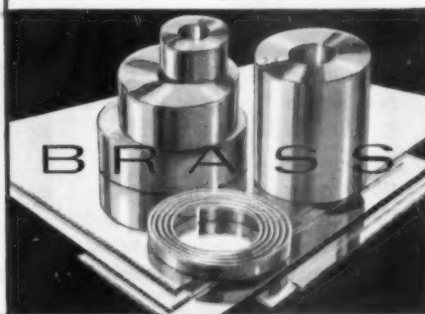
An enlarged base and additional cutting accessories make a new model air-powered router a more versatile tool for straight and intricate contour cutting of metals, plastics, wood or honeycomb. Interior threads of base match those of motor casing, and power unit and base may be secured by tightening the adjusting plug screw to form a vibration-proof lock. Precise depth of cut adjustments can be made by loosening the plug screw. Other features include protective plating, full-grip collet, and self-cleaning operation. **Buckeye Tools Corp., 5003 Springboro Pike, Dayton 1, Ohio.**

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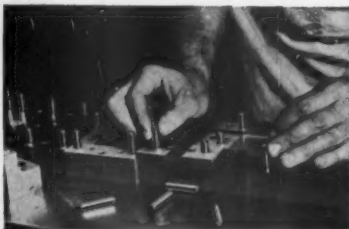


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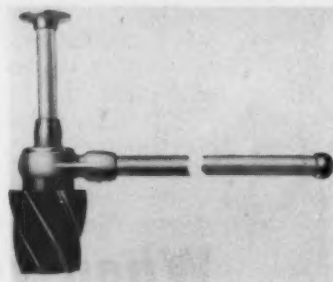
Genuine ALLEN products are available only through your ALLEN Distributor—he's always ready, willing and able to give you prompt, practical service.



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## Products

### Spiral Hand Reamer for 3½ - 4 in. Pipe



A new spiral hand reamer is available for 3-1/2 to 4 in. pipe and conduit. Reamer smooths the inside edges, eliminating slow and costly hand filing. Ratchet handle speeds work in tight quarters. Seven spiral cutting edges pare off metal with minimum effort and no chatter. Hand grip has large pressure plate for comfortable application of body pressure when necessary. Hollow reamer construction reduces weight for easy carrying and handling. Hardened tool-steel cone is removable for sharpening. Ridge Tool Co., Elyria, Ohio.

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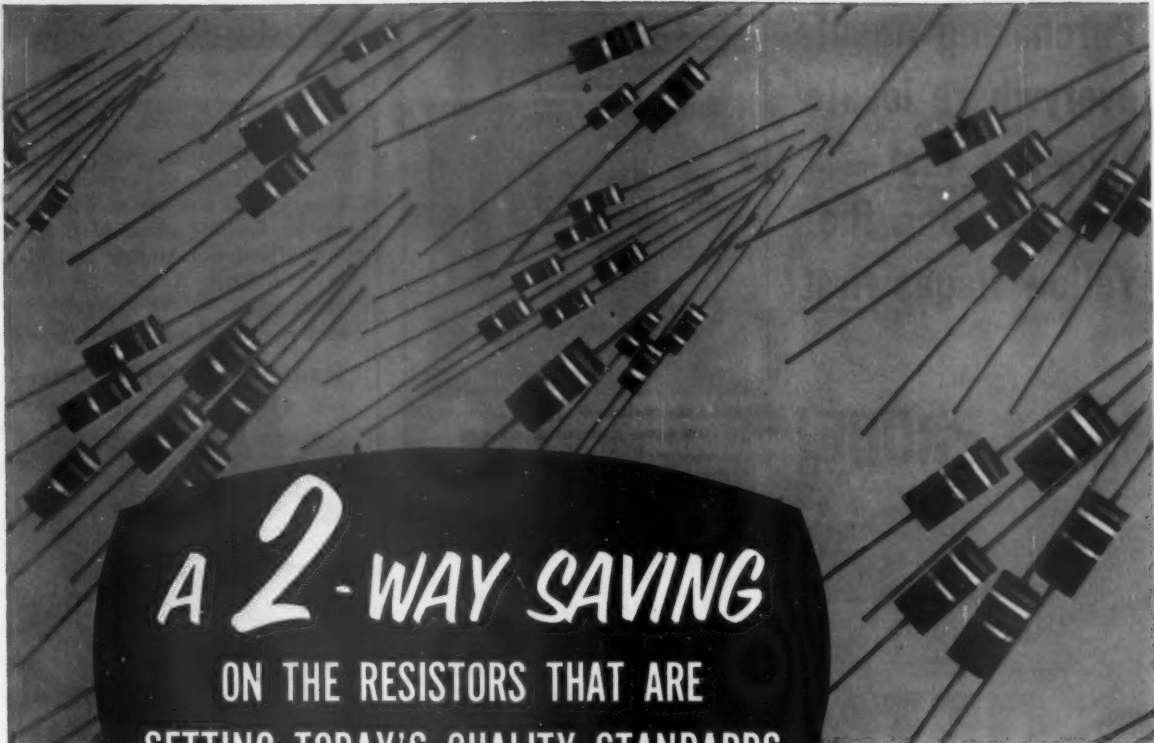
### New General-Purpose Protective Coating



A new general-purpose, one-part neoprene rubber-based coating provides excellent chemical, abrasion and wearing resistance for the protection of metal, wood, concrete and some plastics. Coating has high adhesion to unprimed steel, concrete, wood and glass fiber-reinforced polyester plastics.

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**Purchasing Profiles**

**"How do we buy locally  
for a railroad?"**



**"From the Yellow Pages of each city  
along our railroad's route."**

says Arthur W. Tompkins, General Purchasing Agent for  
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**Purchasing Profiles**



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says William Van Treuren, Director of Purchasing,  
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**Purchasing Profiles**



**"Our library of Yellow Pages directories  
helps us find suppliers quickly  
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says Richard G. Schorling, Asst. V. P.—Purchasing and Property,  
CONTINENTAL AIR LINES, Stapleton Field, Denver, Colorado.

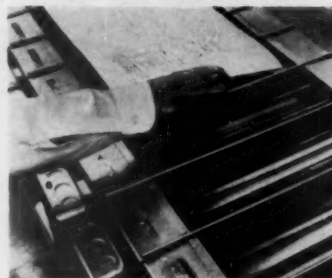
**Products**

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Product is of gel-type consistency and can be applied by brush without diluting or stirring. When applied to vertical surfaces, it will not sag or flow. Adhesives, Coating and Sealers Division, Minnesota Mining and Mfg. Co., 900 Bush Ave., St. Paul 6, Minn.

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**Radiant Heater Features  
Quick Warm-Up**



A new industrial radiant heater is engineered for quick warm-up and cool-off. Developed for drying, baking, curing and pre-heating, unit reaches full heating capacity of 800 to 850 degrees F within three minutes. Heater is designed for horizontal mounting above or below the process line. It emits high efficiency long wave infrared from wire coils enclosed in tubes of 96% silica glass, producing an average of 20 watts per sq. in. of working surface. Units can be easily interlocked in parallel series. **Corning Glass Works, Corning, N.Y.**

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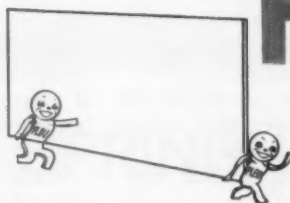
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# Office Equipment and Supplies

## Let's Look At Records

*How long does it take to file papers and cards in a purchasing office? Why is some record-keeping easier than others? Here are the answers.*

### Performance Yardsticks

Alphabetic Filing	Pieces per Hour
Sort cards to first letter .....	850
File cards previously sorted .....	350
Sort and file cards .....	198
Sort papers in flat sorter .....	540
Code and rough-sort letters .....	272
File papers previously sorted without fastening .....	270
File papers previously sorted by fastening to folders .....	160
Find papers .....	67
<b>Numerical Filing</b>	
Sort papers .....	506
File papers previously sorted without fastening .....	360
File papers previously sorted by fastening to folders .....	139
Sort and file papers .....	215
<b>Subject Filing</b>	
Code and file papers .....	100
File Papers .....	147
<b>Soundex Coding (phonetic)</b> .....	570

Based on statistical data compiled by  
Record Controls, Inc., Chicago, Ill.

**T**HE SUBJECT of filing as an important phase of office operation has often been neglected as far as the average purchasing department is concerned. Too often, scant attention is paid to the productivity of clerical workers.

If someone does notice, it is usually in a vague sort of way ("Mary sure is a fast filer") without scientific basis for comparison. Illustrated here is a table designed to assist purchasing executives in establishing performance standards for their records clerks.

The proposed standards are composites of recent production figures obtained by Record Controls, Inc., a Chicago firm specializing in the field of records management.

There are many reasons why production figures differ from operation to operation and from company to company. Knowing some of these reasons will enable the purchasing executive to better understand deviations from standards by records clerks. Con-

sequently, he will then be better able to decide what remedies, if any, should be applied.

- Typed cards or papers can be handled much faster than material written in longhand;
- Numerical filing is faster than coded filing;
- One-step sorting (one sorter tab for each guide tab) is faster than rough-then-fine sorting;
- Cards can be inserted faster into a 1000-card file than into a 10,000-card file.

#### Better Training

It should also be remembered that records clerks are of higher calibre, more intelligent, more experienced, better trained in some companies than in others. Working conditions (heat, light, noise, etc.) will vary from company to company and often from department to department.

Psychological factors such as, quality of supervisors, pay rates, and fringe benefits are more satisfactory in some organizations

than in others. These are the major factors which should be considered in checking the work of records clerks against the proposed standards representing average performance.

While checking, it may be uncovered that perhaps Clerk Lucy is sorting cards to the first letter at the rate of 1000 per hour and that Clerk Joan is sorting papers numerically at the rate of 356 per hour.

This may mean, in the case of Lucy, that she is (1) just naturally faster than the average clerk, (2) is working under unusually favorable physical and psychological conditions, or (3) is achieving speed at the expense of accuracy.

As for Joan, her slowness may stem from laziness or stupidity, but anyone who jumped to this conclusion could be very wrong. Investigation is called for in all such cases. The table of standards cannot be used arbitrarily to separate good clerks from incompetent ones.

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## New SPRINGHILL<sup>®</sup> BOND is actually whiter than clean white chalk

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Compare Springhill Bond for whiteness, finish, "crackle," *printability*. You'll buy no other brand.

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And, the DESKMASTER is attractive, *efficient*. Employees like its fine writing qualities. No wonder purchasing agents have made it the fastest selling desk set in America! (Model #112) Black and popular colors. Black, only \$3.75



There's a precision-made Esterbrook for every business need:



## Esterbrook FEED-MATIC† base desk set

Holds up to 6-month supply of ink. Reservoir in base seals ink against evaporation and dust—feeds enough ink to the point each time to write 500 words. Spill-proof.

Black, colors (Model 444). \$4.50\*



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All desk sets available with chain and adhesive base for public counter use. Also doubles for use with two ink colors.

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**10-DAY FREE TRIAL**—Get one of these quality Esterbrook desk sets from your regular dealer. Use it 10 days. If you aren't completely satisfied, return it to your dealer with *no cost to you*.

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## Office Equipment



A small offset press that provides sit-down operation has been introduced by Davidson Corporation, 29 Ryerson St., Brooklyn, N. Y. The operator has access to all controls when sitting in front of the new machine. On the right are control buttons to start and stop the press. And also on the right is a lever extension operating the ink form roller. Additional features are available to enable it to perform even more automatically.

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New plans for the sale, long-term leasing and financing of full-line, multi-unit vending machine installations has been announced. Vending Industries, Inc., 15 West 57th St., New York offers a vending operator the opportunity to set up a full-line, multi-unit vending installation and choose only those types and brands which he wants. Under the new system, a vending machine operator simplifies his purchasing and financing. He contacts one company, signs one contract and gets any model or brand he wishes.

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# Every office printing machine needs this Paper Selection Guide

The Hammermill Graphicopy® "Paper Selection Guide" can save your time and make your office machines run smoother. Hang a copy near each printing or duplicating machine. Then next time you need paper, select the *right kind* from the list of 200 items in 19 different lines. Call your Hammermill supplier and simply order the paper you need by the number on the Graphicopy Guide. It's the easiest way to order paper you've ever tried. Hammermill Paper Company, Erie, Pennsylvania.

The image shows a woman in a light-colored blouse operating a large, dark-colored duplicating machine. She is looking down at a sheet of paper she is feeding into the machine. In the background, a large chart titled "Paper Selection Guide for Hammermill Graphicopy Papers" is visible. The chart is divided into several columns and rows, listing various paper products and their specifications. A circular logo for "HAMMERMILL GRAPHICOPY PAPERS" is prominently displayed in the foreground, partially overlapping the machine.

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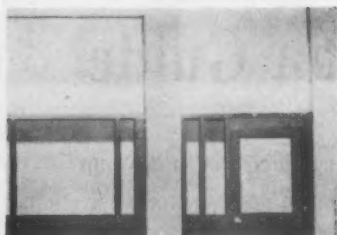


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## Office Equipment



A new steel cornice converts partitioners into floor to ceiling wall. Developed by the **Marnay Sales Division, Rockaway Metal Products Corp., 41 East 42nd St., New York, N. Y.**, the new cornice is designed to fit along the top of the steel panels. Although sheetrock or masonite can be used as extension material, sheets of fluted fibreglass are particularly effective for areas requiring extra light as well as privacy.

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How computer orientation seminars are conducted for users and non-users of data processing equipment is described in an illustrated brochure, titled "Invitation to Learning" offered by **Remington Rand division of Sperry Rand Corp.** The booklet outlines the various kinds of seminars, how they are conducted, and what subjects they cover.

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A new folding machine has been introduced by **Davidson Corporation, 29 Ryerson St., Brooklyn, N. Y.** Called the "Em-bee" the small size folder takes sheets up to 13 3/4 x 27, feeds automatically and has variable speeds. Simple attachments permit scoring, slitting, and perforating.

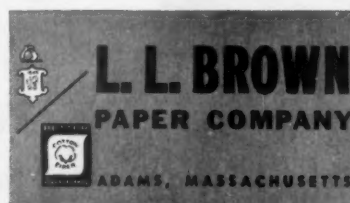
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## L. L. B. ← for lion-size quality



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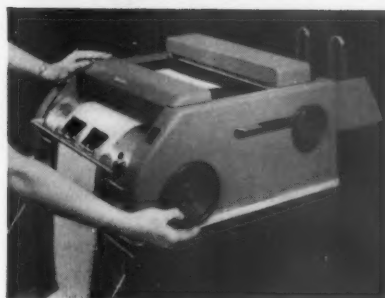


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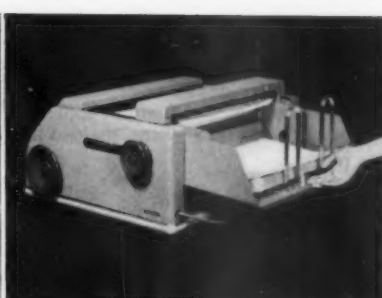
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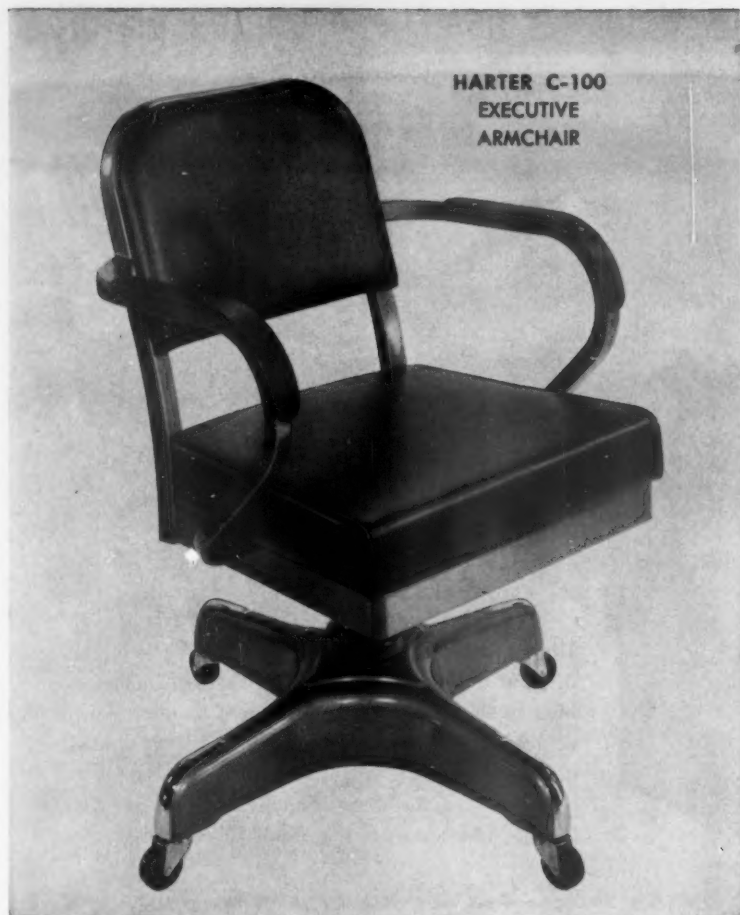
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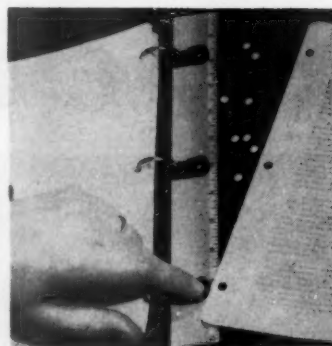
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## **Office Equipment**



Time and motion studies on multi-part business forms have been announced by **Cromwell Rotary Forms, Inc., Albany, N. Y.** Using time exposure and stroboscopic light, a series of photographs were made to provide a visual record of the movements required by a stenographer in preparation of a four-part memo. The Cromwell study points up factors which are often overlooked in planning forms. Personnel fatigue is reduced, duplicate copies are always clean and distinct and initial cost is actually below the cost of second sheets and carbon paper. The study brings out the contrast in light patterns between the standard Cromwell 4-part memoset and the usual method of inserting carbons by hand.

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A unique item for the notebook keeper is being marketed by **Mutual Products Company, Inc., Worcester, Mass.** It is a combination ruler and paper punch which fits over the ring posts. The 12 inch ruler is fitted with spring steel punchers spaced to provide holes in paper to fit two- and three-ring binders. Holes at the base of the punches fit over the ring posts so that the ruler-punch can be at hand at all times.

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## Association News

### N.A.P.A. Convention: Los Angeles, May 22-25, 1960

**S**O THAT you will know them—here are the chairmen of the various committees for the 1960 convention. Standing left to right):

Early Birds Dinner and Banquet—Doug Boone, Los Angeles Board of Education

Reception—Howard H. Gagle, Carnation Company

Registration, Housing, and Transportation—H. J. Kashare, Dept. of Water and Power, City of Los Angeles

Service—Fred M. Pettit, Title Insurance & Trust Co.

Inform-A-Show—C. R. Raftery,

Autonetics division of North American Aviation, Inc.

Entertainment and Dance—Monte C. Vinyard, Southern Calif. Gas Co.

Ladies Program—Walter A. Bazar, Moore Business Forms, Inc.

Seated in the front row (left to right) are:

Public Relations, Press, and Publicity—William Broker, Gough Industries, Inc.

General Vice Chairman—W. O. Hokanson Noland Paper Co., Inc.

General Vice Chairman—Charles S. Perkins, Union Oil Co.

of California

General Convention Chairman—E. Benton Long, United States Lime Products Div., The Flintkote Company

General Program Chairman—Victor Quam, County of Los Angeles

Vice Program Chairman—Harlan E. Eastman, Beckman Instruments, Inc.

Secretary and Controller—Raymond W. Brick, executive secretary-treasurer, Purchasing Agents Association of Los Angeles.



The general convention committee for the 1960 N.A.P.A. convention is meeting regularly in Los Angeles to formulate plans. E. Benton Long is general convention chairman. Here's what he has to say:

"The program will be of equal interest to one man purchasing departments, small business purchasing agents, and purchasing executives for large organizations."



YOU CAN'T  
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## Wire Ropes may look alike... but it's performance that counts

The Image of CF&I stands for the top performance records of all CF&I steel products. For instance, take one of these products—CF&I-Wickwire Rope.

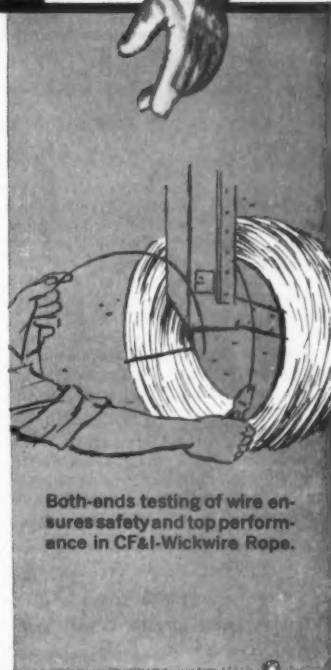
Many brands of rope *look* alike but the rope you buy must pay off in *performance*, not *appearance*. With Wickwire Rope you get a number of quality factors that lead to outstanding performance. These factors are "built-in" through many quality controls and tests. Since CF&I performs all steel producing, wire making and rope fabricating operations within its own plants, exacting control and testing procedures can be carried out and

supervised at every step. Here is just one of these procedures:

### Both-Ends Physical Tests

Samples are cut from both ends of every coil of wire and given complete physical tests—for tensile strength, roundness, torsion and uniformity of diameter. Coils that fail any test are rejected for such critical applications as wire rope.

We have recently printed several folders that discuss many more Wickwire control and testing procedures, plus wire rope recommendations for specific equipment. To get a copy, contact the nearest CF&I sales office—but please *state your industry or type of equipment*.



Both-ends testing of wire ensures safety and top performance in CF&I-Wickwire Rope.

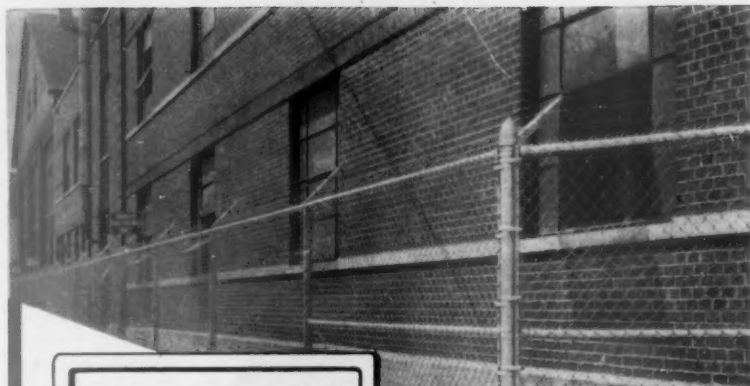
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 1028 North Kelmar, Chicago 51, Ill.

## Association News



William Davis (left), Rock Island Bridge, Division of Macomber, Inc., vice president of District 3, National Association of Purchasing Agents chats with Central Iowa president, A. E. Minor, Morrell & Co.



Hy Oppen, Dx Sunray Oil Company (left) receives the congratulations of Don Foster, Midwest Metal Stamping Co. for winning the Central Iowa golf tournament.



**GAVEL EXCHANGE**—T. R. Sterrett of J. I. Case Company, Rock Island, Ill. and retiring president of the Tri-City Association of Purchasing Agents passes over gavel to incoming president, E. W. Collison, Montgomery Elevator Co., East Moline, Ill.

# REJECTIONS ELIMINATED 100%...



Roller used by Holsclaw Brothers, Inc.  
End view shows Chase brass tube  
used as axle and bearing.

## BY SWITCH TO BRASS FROM STEEL!

### Trailer Maker Uses Chase Brass Tube for Rollers; Ends Material and Work Waste

When we asked Holsclaw Brothers, Inc. why they changed to brass from steel in making rollers for their boat trailers, here's what they told us:

"When we started to use steel, quite naturally we had certain inspection standards set up for the job. At first the steel split on both ends, and we started our usual procedure of rejection. In a very short time we learned that with practically 100% rejection we were not getting very much production. Ultimately, we simply had to lower our inspection standards. Now, since the change to brass, to the best of the writer's knowledge and information, our rejections are zero. Not only is each part up to the standards to which we aspired, but we have no material or labor loss due to rejected parts."

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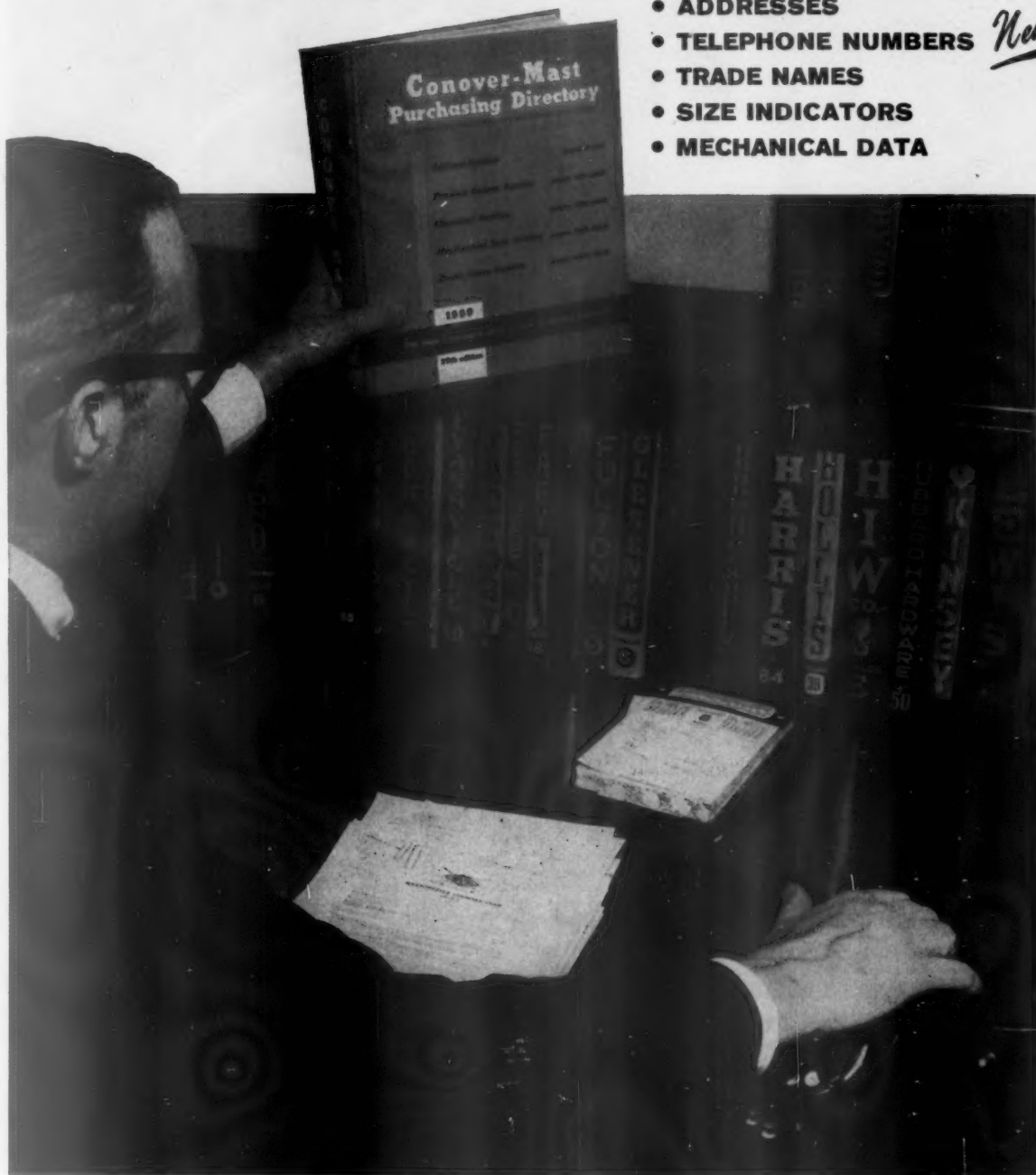
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## Association News



Purchasing portion of head table at buyer-seller meeting in Birmingham consisted of: (left to right) C. E. Wiberg, president of association, David S. Gibson, James B. Harrington, Oscar M. Stagg, Jr., and C. Russell Keister.

### Alabama P.A.'s Listen As Speaker Lectures Salesmen

The monthly meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of Alabama was held as a joint session with the Birmingham Sales Executives Club.

First Vice President Jim Harrington introduced David S. Gibson, vice president purchasing, Worthington Corporation, Harrison, New Jersey who spoke on the subject, "A Purchaser's Appraisal of Salesmen."

Mr. Gibson went into detail with regard to Worthington's purchasing policy and listed four ways in which they judged a supplier:

- (1) Is the prospective supplier a good company; that is, is it sound financially and of good reputation?
- (2) Can they meet the specifications required?
- (3) Is this company dependable as to price quotation, quality and delivery?
- (4) Is the price right? The price being, in this case, the evaluated price.

Following this Mr. Gibson then took up the matter of what he, as a purchasing executive, looks for in a salesman. The attributes he most prizes in a salesman are:

- Know your product and its application.
- Don't waste time during calls.
- Know details about your own company.

- Use proper timing—call at the right time.
- Make proper impression on first call.
- Find out purchasing agent's problem first.
- Help purchasing agent justify in his mind reason for buying your particular product.
- Be sold on product you sell.
- Be dependable in what you say and don't be misleading.
- Never argue with the buyer.
- Be a good sport and be affable.
- Sell the right people in the organization in coordination with purchasing agent.

Mr. Gibson stated that an air of understanding between the purchasing agent and the salesman is most beneficial and most important.

### P.A. Group Formed In New Jersey

Some 29 governmental purchasing agents met recently to make plans to organize a North Jersey Governmental Purchasing Agents Association.

Richard Quigley, purchasing agent for the City of Nutley was elected chairman. He will appoint a nominating and program committee to report at the next meeting, December 3.

Election of officers will be the main order of business at this second meeting. Anyone interested in joining the new group should get in touch with Mr. Quigley in Nutley, New Jersey.

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## **Association News**

### **N.A.P.A. Appointments**

The following changes on national committees were recently announced by the chairmen of the respective committees:

#### **COAL**

Southern Region—Committeeman: Robert I. Coe, The Mead Corporation, Kingsport Division, Kingsport, Tennessee.

#### **FUEL OIL**

Region No. 1, New England Area—Committeeman: John H. Corcoran, City of Cambridge, Cambridge, Mass.

Region No. 2, Seaboard Area—Committeeman: C. J. Chudovsky, Huyck Felt Co., Div. of F. C. Huyck, & Sons, Rensselaer, New York.

Region No. 4, Ohio Valley Area—Committeeman: L. W. McAndrews, Pittsburgh Steel Company, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

#### **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Chairman, District No. 8: Lionel C. Mercier, ITT Laboratories, Nutley, New Jersey, replacing D. C. Robinson.

#### **STEEL**

Robert D. Crane, Dresser Industries, Inc., Dallas, Texas, replacing R. C. Kelley.

#### **VALUE ANALYSIS-STANDARDIZATION**

Chairman, District No. 6: Wilbur L. Betz, The Buckeye Steel Castings Company, Columbus, Ohio, replacing R. S. Rice.

Chairman, District No. 7: J. E. Clark, Gulf Oil Corporation, Atlanta, Georgia, replacing C. C. Sisk.

Vice Chairman, District No. 9: Raymond Lawson, American Bosch Arma Corporation, American Bosch Division, Springfield, Mass.

### **Legal Expert Talks Before Ann Arbor P.A.'s**

Professor G. O. Dykstra, of the School of Business Administration, University of Michigan, was the principal speaker at a recent meeting of the Ann Arbor Purchasing Agents Association. His subject was, "The Legal Aspects of Purchasing."

The principal theme was the difference between the Uniform

Sales Act, which is accepted by thirty states and the proposed Uniform Commercial Code which is being prepared by the various bar associations. It has been accepted by three states, with the hope that it will be approved by the legislatures of all fifty states.

Professor Dykstra stressed the importance of reading the fine print on the contract of an offer to buy and the contract of an offer to sell.

He concluded his talk by giving examples of the differences between Statute and Common Law.

### **Rocket Value Analysis**

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Again and again, he and the others stress that they aren't knocking missile contractors.

"Nobody can come up with all the good ideas about how to get a job done on the day it's started," they say. "If this were true, we would have skipped the Model T and built the Cadillac from the beginning."

#### **Fight Against Inertia**

"Like any idea men, however, we fight to overcome inertia. A missile has mass, hasn't it? and doesn't mass have inertia? Well, human beings have mass, even in their brain cells, and sometimes we find a little inertia there also."

Capt. Ashley says, "When somebody asks us why they need an office like ours, I sometimes recall 'The Case of the Brass Cannon Cap.'"

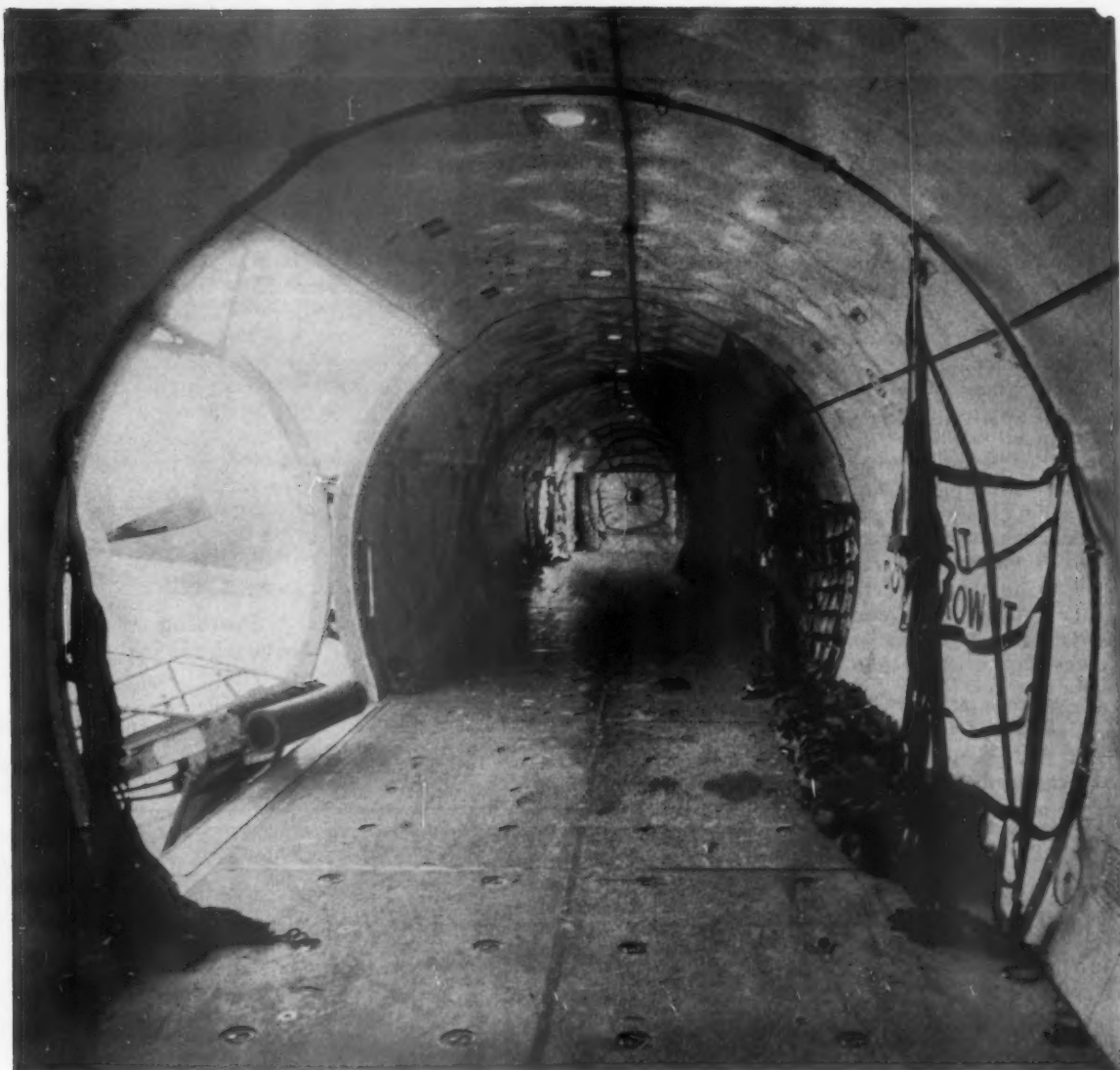
"For hundreds of years, cannoners all over the world covered the mouths of their cannon with a handsome, heavy brass cap that screwed over the end of the barrels," he says.

"What was the cap for? To keep out dust and moisture. Why use a brass cap? Naturally, because everybody had always used a brass cap. When somebody finally asked, 'How come?' and really meant it, they found that a piece of canvas and a string would serve just as well.

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## When Are Suppliers Guilty?

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pay the expenses of "rolling" the sheet and make a profit out of the price at which Alcoa itself sold the sheet.

The government insisted in this argument that the rolling costs of Alcoa were a fair measure of the costs of competitors and further, the government contended, competitors had to meet Alcoa's price for all grades of "sheet" and could not buy ingots elsewhere.

Of this the court remarked that it was reasonable to suppose that the rolling costs of Alcoa were no greater than those of competitors. Also, that although it was theoretically true that imported virgin aluminum ingots were always available they could be had at prices very little less than those of Alcoa.

### Define Price Squeeze

Of the effect of this squeeze campaign, the court remarked,

"The government describes as a price squeeze a practice by which, it says, Alcoa intended to put out of business the manufacturers of aluminum sheet who were its competitors. Alcoa was itself a large—in fact much the largest—maker of that product and had been the first to introduce it many years before the period in question.

"The challenged practice ended with the year 1932, shortly after the Department of Justice took up the complaint of several sheet makers and began to investigate. The government asserted this squeeze had been in operation for a long time before that date and that by means of it 'Alcoa' had succeeded in eliminating four out of the eight competitors which competed with it."

In conclusion the court said, "As to the price squeeze itself, Alcoa insists that even if it was unlawful, it has been discontinued now for 12 years and that there is no likelihood that it will be resumed.

"Alcoa might add that since

there can be no squeeze if sheet rollers can buy ingot at competitive prices, there can be no need of an injunction if that privilege is assured to them. That since it will be assured to them when the final judgment is entered, an injunction would only bring coals to Newcastle.

"It is enough here to say that since Alcoa abandoned the squeeze only after it became aware that it was under investigation, it is in no position now to complain of whatever stigma there may be in the injunction. In such a situation there is no place for sensibilities, nor should lapse of time secure immunity. More can be said for the argument that Alcoa will be unable to squeeze at all, if it loses its monopoly."

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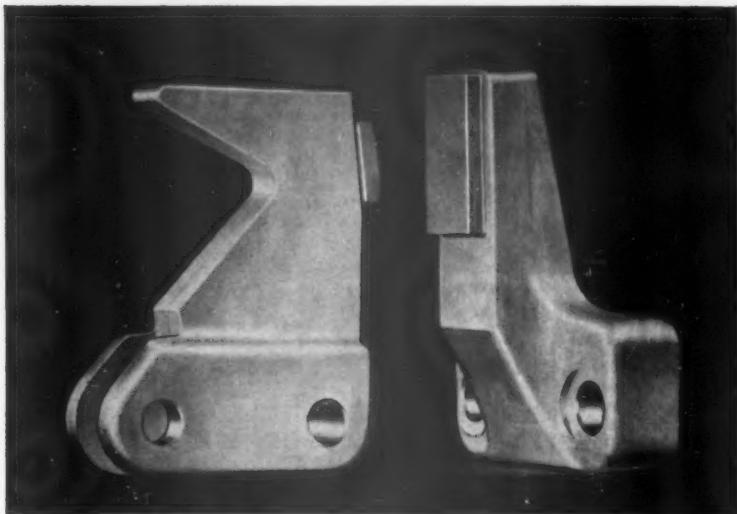


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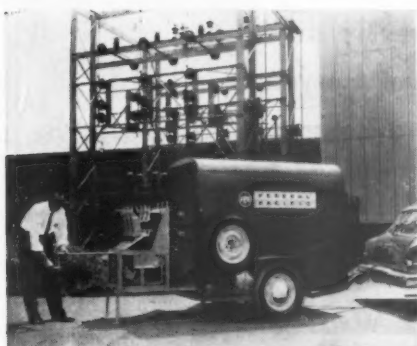
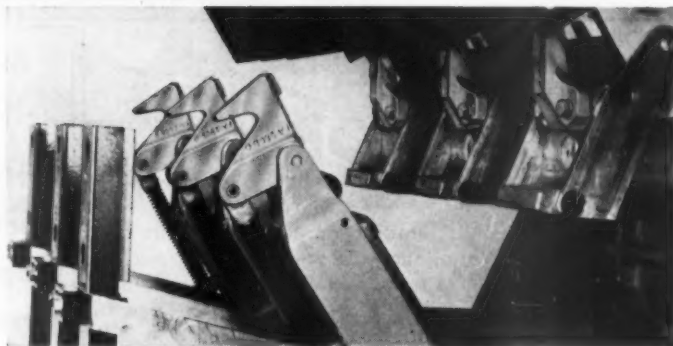
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**RIGHT:** Movable arcing contact assemblies at the left and the stationary arcing contact assemblies at the right in a 5-kv Federal Pacific Type DST air circuit breaker. They have a momentary current-carrying capacity of 60,000 amperes. Contact tips of tungsten alloy are silver-soldered to the forgings. These are two of several areas where Federal Pacific uses the superior physical properties of Anaconda die-pressed forgings to help provide dependable operation and long service life in its line of metal-clad switchgear.



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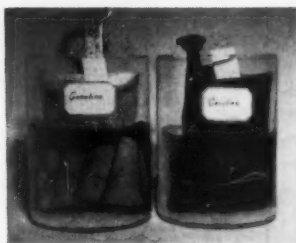
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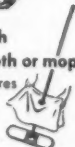
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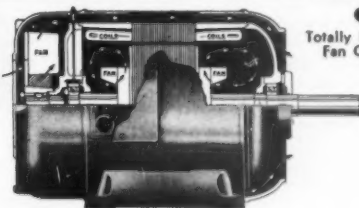
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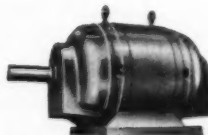
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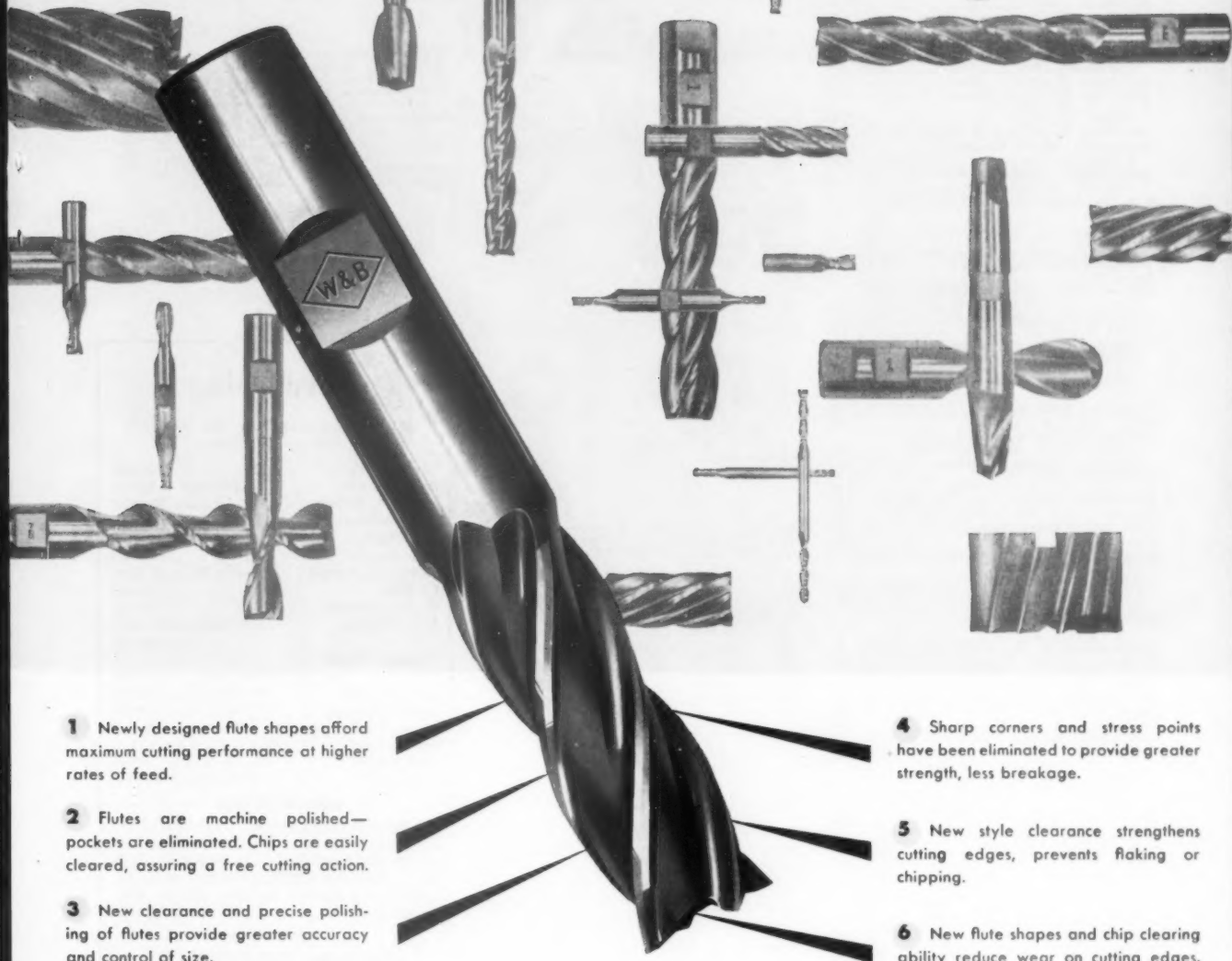
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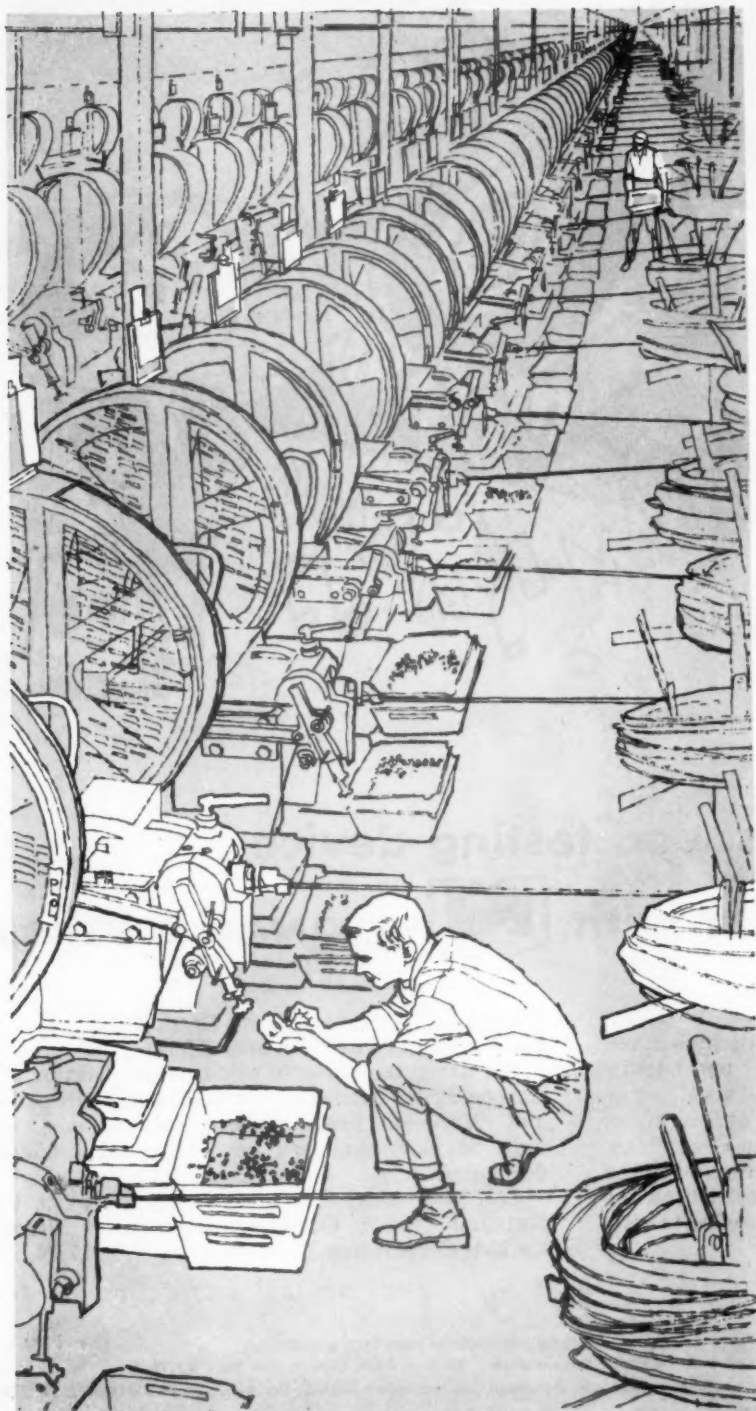
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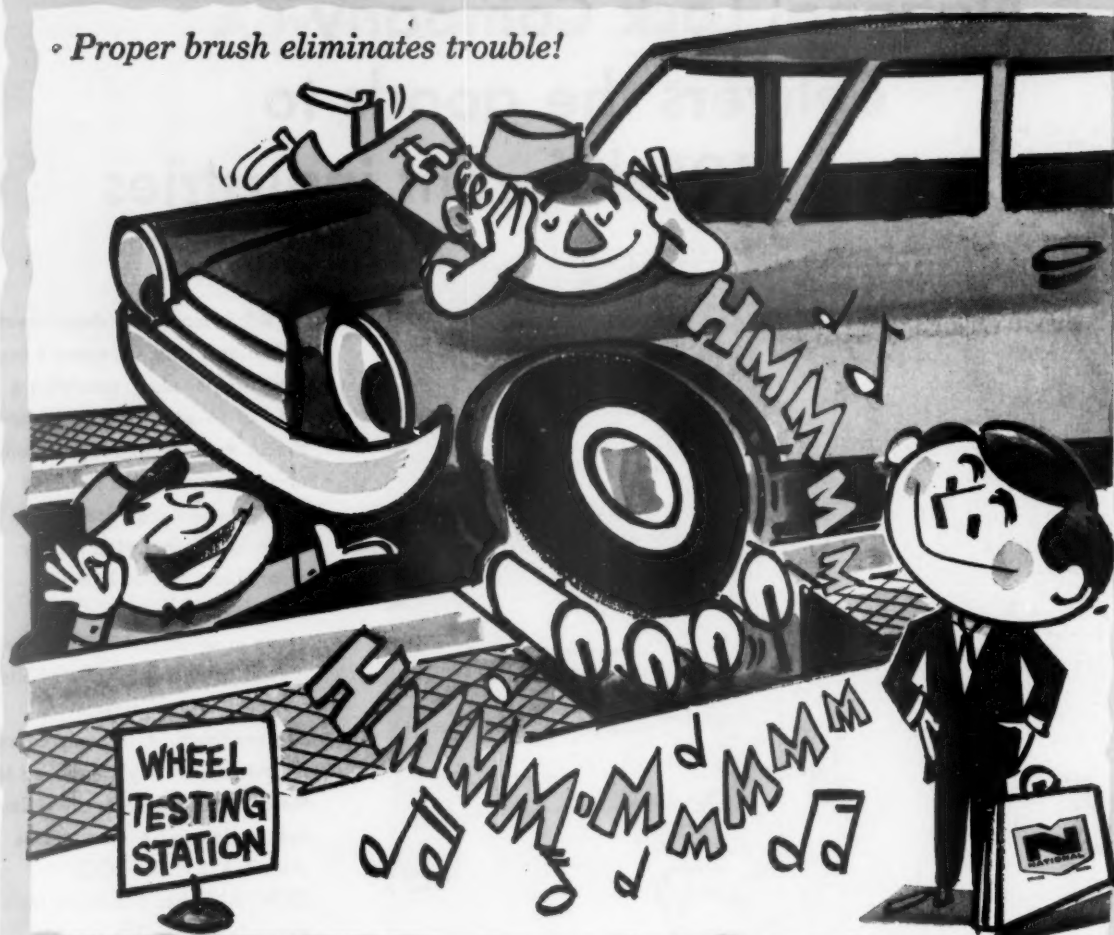
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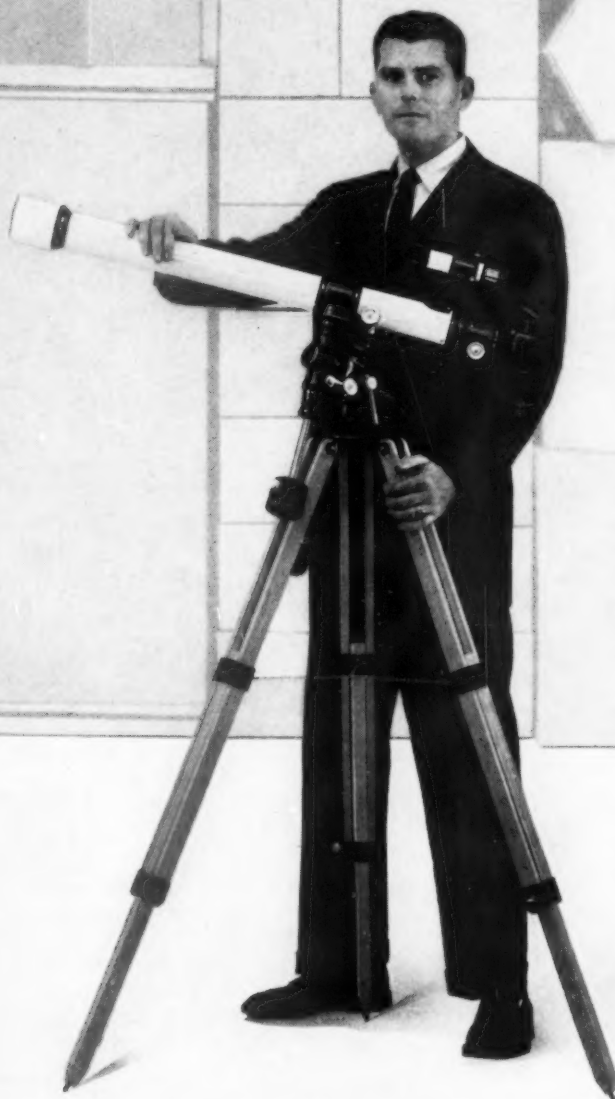
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